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BALDWIN WILL DEFEND PEACE POLICY

PARIS PLAN AS LAST RESORT ITALIAN THREAT TO BE DISCLOSED? CABINET SPLIT RUMOUR NOW DISCREDITED

London, Dec. 16.

Rumours that Sir Samuel Hoare will resign are now much discredited in responsible Parliamentary circles. Any repudiation of Sir Samuel by the Cabinet is considered out of the question. On the contrary, it is believed that if necessary Mr. Baldwin will vigorously defend Sir Samuel's actions.

Meanwhile, there is a tendency towards a less critical attitude where the Government's actions are concerned, as it is believed the House of Commons will be told on Thursday that Italy intended to treat oil sanctions as an act of war and that the Government was not satisfied that the necessary collective action to support the League policy would be forthcoming.

It is pointed out that Great Britain never pledged herself to anything more than collective action and if the Ministers were not satisfied with regard to its availability with respect to oil sanctions, they were entitled to take what they considered the next best step, namely, to make a supreme effort at conciliation.

CRISIS TALE DISCOUNTED

The current stories of a crisis in the British Cabinet consequent on the Government's approval of the Paris peace terms, are being discounted.

Opinion among a large body of Government supporters is still frankly hostile to the proposed peace formula, but there is an underlying confidence that Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, had some good reasons for his apparently enigmatic action.

Much consequently depends upon the extent to which Mr. Baldwin can disclose the Government's motives which prompted the backing of the Paris plan. Sir Samuel Hoare will have to be very explicit if he is the first Government spokesman, for many consider he is a sick man and that his illness made him more easily persuaded at Paris, and that Mr. Baldwin, displaying his characteristic loyalty, is standing behind him in spite of his mistake.

DELICATE POSITION

Undoubtedly Sir Samuel's parliamentary position is delicate at the present moment, but the prevailing opinion is that he will weather Thursday's storm. In the meantime, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Minister for League of Nations Affairs, was severely heckled at question-time by the Opposition in the Commons. Questions were fired at him from all sides concerning the peace proposals. Mr. Hugh Dalton was especially prominent. But Mr. Eden replied with the greatest calmness, requesting his questioners to await a full statement from the Government on Thursday.

MR. DALTON REBUKED

Mr. Dalton incurred a rebuke from the Speaker by asking whether the Government still accepted the responsibility for the "shameful proposals." Mr. Speaker objected to the word "shameful" and regretted a similar adjectival vigour on the part of other Labour questioners.

Mr. Ernest Thurtle asked whether the Government still adhered to the declaration made by Mr. Eden in Parliament on October 23, that one of the indispensable conditions of any settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute was that the terms must be consistent with the League Covenant. Mr. Eden replying affirmatively, Mr. Thurtle remarked: Was Mr. Eden aware that the country would read this answer with satisfaction?

Mr. Eden, not to be outdone, replied that he hoped the country had read all his answers with satisfaction. There was a roar of laughter.

FIRST LORD'S ADVICE

London, Dec. 16. It is learned in reliable quarters that Viscount Mottistone, First Lord of the Admiralty, has advised Mr. Stanley Baldwin to withdraw a large portion of the British Fleet from the Mediterranean before Christmas.

ITALIAN ATTACK RESISTED

HEAVY FIGHTING IN OGADEN

NO APPARENT GAINS

Addis Ababa, Dec. 16. A heavy bombing attack by Italian planes upon the Ethiopian lines in several sectors is apparently the prelude to a renewed offensive in the Ogaden territory.

Italian and Somali troops, supported by tanks and armoured cars, attacked the Ethiopian lines forty miles south-east of Saabaneh.

Neither side gained any appreciable advantage in the fighting which ensued.

It is claimed that on this occasion the Ethiopian army put up a stiff fight, which is a change from the tactics of retreating actions previously adopted.

Several hundred Somalis are reported to have deserted to the Ethiopian side.—*Reuter*.

TROOPS BOMBED

Mogadiscio, Dec. 16. A communiqué issued by the Italian headquarters here to-day states that fifteen bombing planes made a 500 mile flight into Ethiopia and bombed and damaged Italian troops' advance columns in Ogaden.—*United Press*.

COST OF PEER'S TRIAL

STATE TO PAY ABOUT £700

London, Dec. 16. Replying to House of Commons questions arising out of the trial in the House of Lords of Lord de Clifford, on a charge of manslaughter, of which he was acquitted, the Attorney General, Sir Thomas Inskip, stated that the estimated charge to public funds was about £700.

He preferred to postpone a statement as to new legislation until the matter could be further considered.—*British Wireless*.

The Cabinet is scheduled to hold an emergency meeting to-night.—*United Press*.

HOARE ARRIVES

London, Dec. 16. Sir Samuel Hoare arrived in London to-day, after flying from the Continent, to attend the Cabinet meeting to-morrow.—*Reuter Special*.



Egyptian police are here seen assembled in one of the main streets of Cairo after having dispersed riotous students.

ACTRESS' STRANGE DEATH

THELMA TODD DEAD IN MOTOR CAR

POPULAR IN COMEDIES

Hollywood, Dec. 16. The film actress, Miss Thelma Todd, was found dead in a motor-car parked near her residence to-day.

Detectives who are investigating the case at present decline to make any statement on the matter.—*Reuter*.

A blond, blue-eyed beauty, she had been one of the Hal Roach comedy stars for some years, and had won acclaim for her performances in "Cousin" and with Laurel and Hardy in "Fra Diavolo."

With Zasu Pitts she made a number of short comedies which were enormously popular.

Miss Todd was one of the most charming of the young Hollywood hostesses. She was unmarried.

Thousands To See Exhibit

CHINA'S TREASURE DRAWS CROWDS

London, Dec. 16. Lotus bud pink, flamingo red, imperial yellow, peking blue, standing blue and jewel blue are the new colours derived from the Chinese Art Exhibition which the British Colour Council are producing in January for both silks and cottons.

The Queen has already ordered a dress of jewel blue silk.

Chinese green is another shade new to the West whence is derived all shades of jade and celadon.

Paying visitors to the Exhibition to December 14 were 68,398 or a daily average of over four thousand and tends to increase. In the second week there were nineteen thousand more than the first week.

Staff associations of large commercial firms have already booked nine thousand tickets, only a thousand less than for the whole duration of the French Exhibition for example.

Imperial Chemical Industries has taken 500 tickets, Bank of England 600, British Colour Council 900. Eighteen thousand school children have already booked.

The Royal Academy is arranging a new series of lectures on Chinese art, beginning in the New Year. All lectures originally arranged were sold out.—*Reuter*.

MODIFIED FORMULA SOUGHT

ITALIAN REQUEST MADE TO PARIS

WON'T GIVE UP ASSAB

Paris, Dec. 16.

It is believed that the Italian Ambassador here, Signor Corrucci, has informed M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, that there are four points on which Signor Mussolini wants modification of the peace proposal.

Signor Mussolini declares, first, that Assab must belong to Italy.

Secondly, he says that control of Assab must remain with Italy, with Ethiopia being given shipping rights there.

Thirdly, all foreign concessions must be annulled in the region set aside for Italian colonisation in South Ethiopia.

Fourthly, Italy must have full control of the policing of that region of colonisation.—*Reuter*.



Miss Thelma Todd, whose mysterious death has shocked Hollywood.

GOING TO NANKING

Shanghai, Dec. 17.

Mr. Akira Ariyoshi, the Japanese Ambassador, left for Nanking on the night express presumably to interview high Chinese officials, and just before he left Mr. Wei Tao-ming, former Minister of Justice, returned from Europe, and will soon leave for Nanking to report on Mr. Hu Han-min's condition of mind and health.—*Reuter*.

AVIATION PIONEER PASSES

RENOWNED BRITISH SCIENTIST

SIR RICHARD GLAZEBROOK

London, Dec. 16.

The death has occurred of Sir Richard Glazebrook, the aviation pioneer.—*Reuter*.

Sir Richard Tetley Glazebrook, distinguished scientist, was born in September, 1854, and was educated at Liverpool College and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he was fifth Wrangler in 1876. Made a Fellow of his College, he was appointed Lecturer in Mathematics in 1881. He also became Assistant Director of the Cavendish Laboratory, and in 1885 was awarded the Hopkins Prize by the Cambridge Philosophical Society.

For years he was engaged on researches in various branches of physics which led to considerable progress in the understanding of the laws and properties of matter. In 1898-99 he was principal of University College, Liverpool, being then appointed Director of the National Physical Laboratory, a post which he filled with distinction for 20 years.

AVIATION RESEARCH

On the foundation in 1908, of the Aeronautical Research Committee as the advisory body on all aviation matters, Glazebrook was made its chairman. In 1910 he was awarded the C.B., in 1917 was knighted and in 1920 received the additional honour of K.C.M.G. On his announcing his intention of retiring in April, 1933, the Royal Aeronautical Society, of which he was a Fellow, awarded him its gold medal. This, the Society's highest honour, had been awarded only six times previously.

Oxford, Edinburgh, Victoria and Heidelberg Universities conferred degrees on Sir Richard, the Royal Society, of which he was foreign secretary awarded him its Hughes Medal and he was a member of many scientific and technical bodies. He wrote a number of works on various branches of physics.

Relief Worker Kills Four

FOUR OTHERS BADLY WOUNDED

Los Angeles, Dec. 16.

Four relief workers were shot dead and four were seriously wounded in a sensational battle here to-day.

One of the workers, Charles Wayman, allegedly stood on a mound of earth and blazed away with a rifle at those about him, then dropped the rifle and ran away.

When police, armed with sawed-off shotguns, forced Wayman to surrender, he reportedly asserted: "I shot the others because they had been browbeating me."—*Reuter*.

PEIPING CROWDS CRY FOR WAR

"DOWN WITH JAPAN IMPERIALISM"

10,000 DEMONSTRATE IN OLD CAPITAL

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Peiping, Dec. 17.

Ten thousand students, peasants and workers assembled at the Temple of Heaven last night and passed a resolution to attempt to organise and arm the masses of the Chinese people to fight against Japanese imperialism. That cry echoed in Peiping more than once last night: "Down with Japan Imperialism."

The mass meeting determined to ask the new Political Council of Hopei-Chahar why it was selling out the national interests.

The whole 10,000, in orderly ranks, shouting slogans, with banners flying, marched towards the Chienmen Gate, near the American Embassy, and there clashed with the police.

Five thousand of the marchers, divided into small groups, were finally permitted to enter the Tartar city.

Seven boys and four girls were treated for injuries following the brush with the police officers.

Old residents say that demonstration was the most orderly and patriotic in many years.

NEW NAVY LIMITATION PROPOSAL

BRITAIN SEEKING ANOTHER ROAD

EARLY EFFORTS PROFITLESS

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 16.

Naval Conference business took a new turn this afternoon, after a meeting restricted to the heads of the delegations.

Questions by other delegates failed to evoke signs of a compromise on Japan's demand for parity, and it was decided to defer further consideration of this matter for the present.

Meanwhile, Britain has decided to explore new channels, and will introduce proposals to-morrow on restrictive limitation by categories. These proposals will call for a declaration by each Power of what building programmes they contemplate for a period of years, preferably for six years.—*Reuter Special*.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE

London, Dec. 16.

At the Naval Conference, Viscount Mottistone, First Lord of the Admiralty, announced that Britain would present her own quantitative limitation proposals on Tuesday. It is understood that the proposal will suggest a mutual exchange of information on a six-year building plan.

Admiral Nagano said he was willing to listen to any proposals by other Powers, and he was prepared temporarily to shelve Japan's demands.—*United Press*.

LITTLE PROGRESS

London, Dec. 16. The Naval Conference, having reached a "repetitive stage," and progress on the Japanese demand for a common upper limit having seemingly been profitless, it has been decided that the Japanese delegates shall continue discussions thereon bilaterally.

The Conference has accordingly changed its ground to consider a British proposal for quantitative limitation by categories, under which each Power will be invited to state in advance what construction it contemplates for the next few years. The exact period is not at present specified, but in order to avoid the necessity for frequent conferences, the British favour six years, though France and Italy have already expressed reluctance to undertake a long-term treaty commitment.

BRITAIN'S AIM

It is understood that Britain's desire is merely designed to produce concrete figures on which negotiations can be conducted.

It is reported here that Japanese officers, laughing when the Tientsin and Tangku Peace Preservation Corps headquarters asked the Japanese military authorities to aid in evicting the "Autonomists" troops who had occupied Tangku.—*United Press*.

POLICE OPEN FIRE

Peiping, Dec. 17. Five thousand students from universities and middle schools paraded Peiping's streets yesterday as a protest against the formation of the new Hopei-Chahar Council and the separation of this area from Nanking's control.

They urged armed resistance to Japanese aggression in North China. They urged that the 29th Army resist the invaders, recalling that army's exploits in 1933 when the men and fought against the Japanese at Haifeng with only broadswords as weapons.

STUDENTS' DEMANDS

Many columns of demonstrators converged on the Tienchiang Bridge, outside the Temple of Heaven, and on route one column was prevented from proceeding by police, who unsuccessfully beat a few students with bamboo sticks and swords, wounding between ten and fifteen.

When a fire-engine was brought up with a hose to turn on the marchers, the students set about it, smashing its windshield. Finally the students were allowed to proceed.

From Tienchiang they began their return march in a long orderly column, six abreast. There were many girls among the marchers. All distributed handbills to the crowds.

NO ONE WOUNDED

None of the students at the Chienmen Gate were wounded by the volleys fired by the police. The shots failed even to make the students flinch. After three hours of standing at the gate, storming for a free passage, they were finally allowed to march off quietly to their universities.

Several girl students in the front ranks stood steadily and calmly when the police fired on them.

One of the demonstrators was an American youth, a student at one of the universities, and when correspondents talked with him he repeatedly referred to "our cause" and "we students."

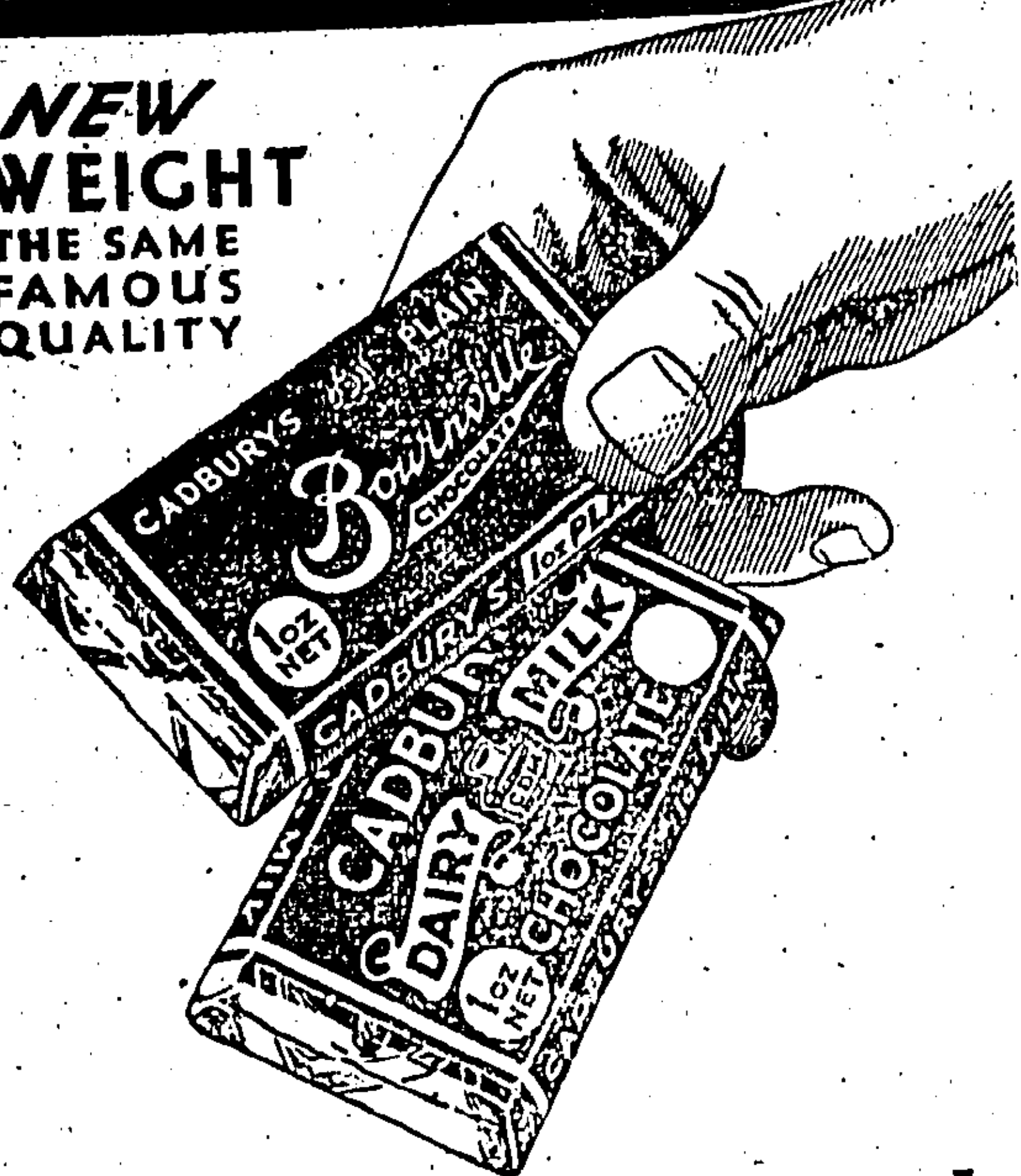
A number of students from Yen Ching and Tsing Hua Universities who were refused admission at several gates, burst through the railway gate at the West Wall of the Chinese city in order to join their comrades inside.

Demonstrators had returned to their schools and universities at 4 o'clock and the city was very quiet.—*Reuter*.

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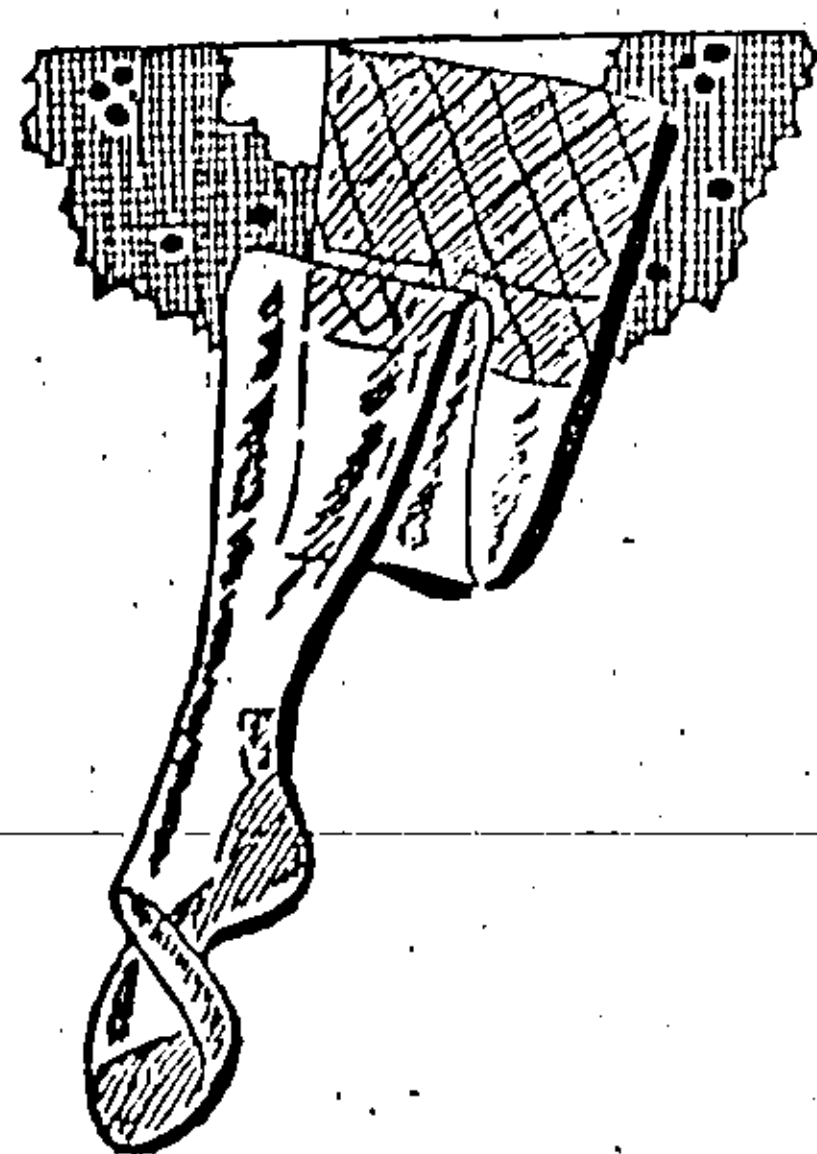
The Conference again meets to-morrow at 3.15 p.m., but the bilateral talks on parity will begin in the morning, when the Japanese delegates will visit the United States delegation.—*Reuter*.

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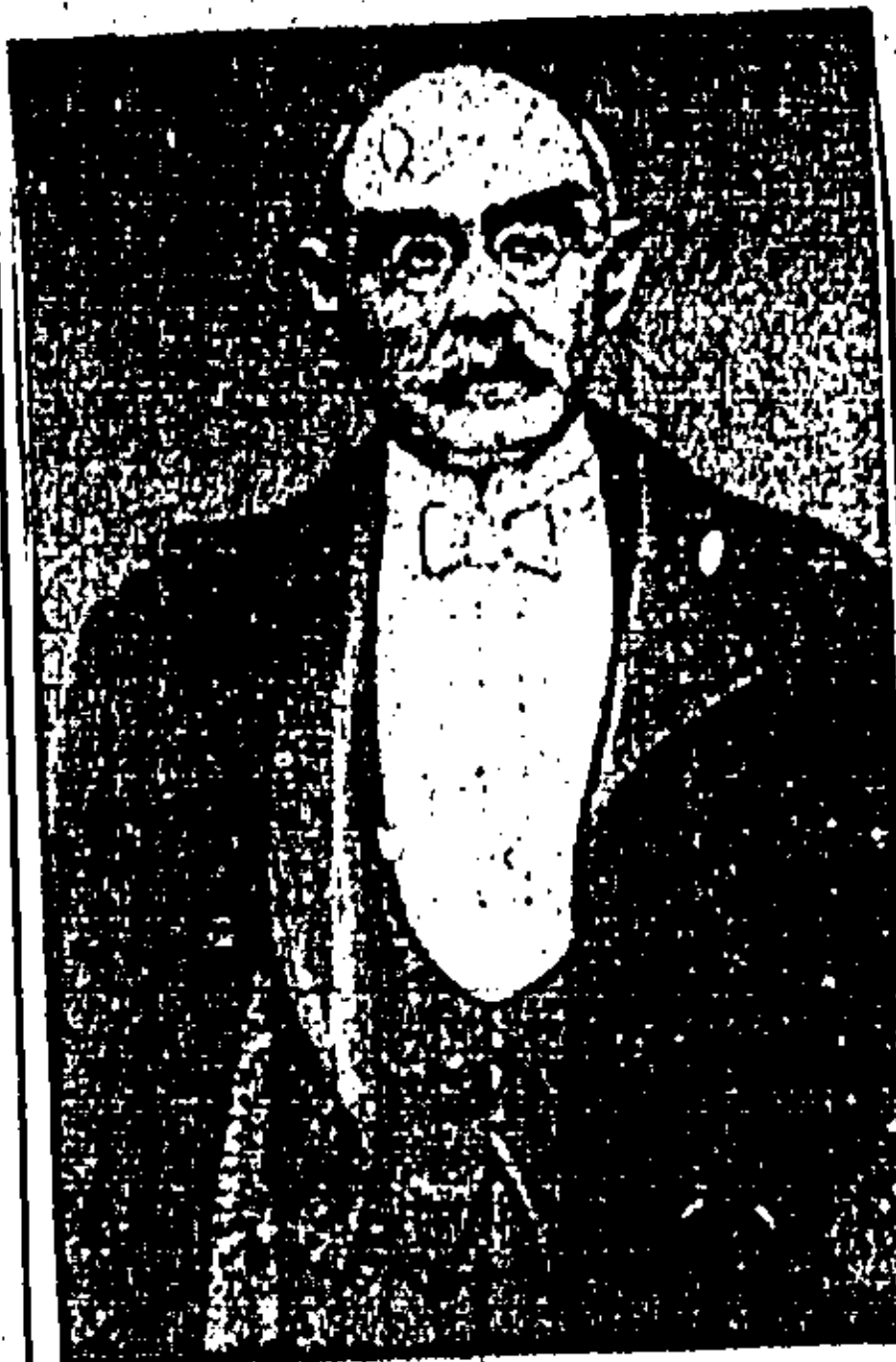
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RUSSIA'S NEW IDOLS

STALIN PROMISES COMFORT FOR ALL

Moscow, Dec. 12.
"Stakhanovism," the new movement to increase production, is sweeping Soviet Russia. It took its name from Alexei Stakhanov, an obscure young miner, who early in September managed to increase his output tenfold by keeping his pneumatic drill in uninterrupted operation throughout his six-hour shift.

Every industry now boasts its Stakhanovites and was represented at an enthusiastic three-day conference in the Kremlin which closed yesterday, with Stalin and other Government leaders participating.

BURST OF ENERGY
Stakhanovites are Russia's latest idols and the ambition to earn the title has become the desire of hundreds of thousands of workers.

This new wave of Labour enthusiasm is smashing production records in nearly every field of national economy.

New phenomenal records have been established in such widely diversified fields as metallurgy, textile manufacturing, coal-mining, machine-building and agriculture.

A country-wide outburst of energy, resulting in increasing productivity, has been released by the lure of public recognition and higher earnings.

REWARDS OF LABOUR
Stakhanovites, who are Russia's "Heroes of Labour," are for the moment eclipsing the fame of outstanding Soviet airmen, explorers, scientists and writers.

They receive awards, motor-cars, superior apartments and cash premiums.

With an increasing number of workers doubling and tripling what was until recently regarded as the normal output, optimism and unbounded confidence in a bright future of plenty are becoming widespread.

Addressing the delegates yesterday at the closing session of the conference at the Kremlin, Stalin promised a life of happiness and comfort for all the workers of Russia.

"Our programme has proved to be the correct one," he declared. "Life for us is growing easier and better day by day. Material comfort, joy and happiness has now become the keynote of Soviet life."

The Stakhanov movement, in the opinion of some, is not a mere passing fad. It is taking root in all industry.

Russia is on the way to become Europe's greatest economic power.

THE STORIES— Kipling, Dickens, Bennett THE STARS— Robert Montgomery, Jean Harlow, Norma Shearer

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, one of the most important film-producing companies in America, will start to produce films in England early next year.

Mr. Ben Goetz arrives in London early this month to make the arrangements. Studios will be rented for a start, and after that M.G.M. will probably build their own.

Stories by Rudyard Kipling, James Hilton, Dickens and Arnold Bennett have been bought and help up in Hollywood, and they will be made in England, it is expected.

Stars like Robert Montgomery, Jean Harlow and Norma Shearer will probably be brought over.

Hollywood Burden
Mr. Sam Eckman jun., managing director of M.G.M. Pictures Ltd., said:

"The English studios will relieve some of the burden of Hollywood, which is turning out 40 to 50 pictures a year at an average cost of £100,000 a picture. It will be a good thing to have a spirit of competition between two studios in the same organisation. 'It is logical that we shall make English pictures in England and English pictures in Hollywood.'"

"We shall probably make a start in London with a film of the play 'The Wind and the Rain,' with James Hilton's 'Goodbye, Mr. Chips,' and with a story of a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, originally called 'Manners Maketh The Man,' and written by John Monk Saunders.

"This last film has been renamed, 'A Yank at Oxford,' and it tells of a rough American who gradually is remade by the cultural associations of the University. Robert Montgomery was cast for the film and it is likely that he will go over to England to make it."

DEMANDS CLOTHES FOR NUDE STATUE

MODEL IS ANGRY

Pittsburgh, Dec. 1.
Henrietta Leaver of McKeesport, 1935 "Miss America," has demanded that a statue for which she posed in a bathing suit be given some covering.

She made her demand to Frank Vittor, Pittsburgh sculptor, who studied under Rodin and sculptured the heads of three presidents.

Miss Leaver and her grandmother, Mrs. Hettie Ebert, were angry when they viewed the statue. It was nude.

Vittor tried to soothe them by saying that Miss Leaver was the nearest type of true American womanhood and that he created the statue so that posterity might have an idea what the 1935 girls were like.

"After all," Vittor said, "you didn't pose in the nude and there is nothing to offend you."

But Miss America insisted the statue be draped. So did the grandmother.

Vittor finally decided to call in a jury of six artists. If they find the statue a work of art, it will remain undraped, according to Vittor.—United Press.



NORMA SHEARER
—for her to play.

"FLYING HOTELS" FOR INDIAN PRINCES

CRAZE BRINGS ORDERS TO BRITAIN

Air travel is the latest craze of wealthy Indian princes all over India.

The Maharajahs are getting more and more air-minded every day and orders for luxury planes are coming to Britain in large numbers.

The first of these orders comes from the Maharajah of Patiala, who has ordered a plane costing £10,000.

LAST WORD IN LUXURY

The Maharajah's plane will be, perhaps, the fastest machine to be owned by a private owner in India. It will be the last word in luxury air liners. The cabin will be a lavishly-furnished lounge with sound-proof walls, and the colour scheme of its interior decoration will be carried out according to the special designs and plans of the Maharajah and the Maharane.

The most remarkable thing in the plane will be the skillfully concealed cocktail bar in which only the very rare and costly drinks will be offered to the lucky guests of the Maharajah.

Another wonderful piece of furniture will be the chessboard and table. The pieces are specially made for this plane. The white queen will be made of a solid diamond.

The plane will be largely at the disposal of the Maharajah, who has planned an all-India air pilgrimage. She is at present taking lessons and will be the first woman pilot in India.

BOY EXPLORERS FOR ARCTIC

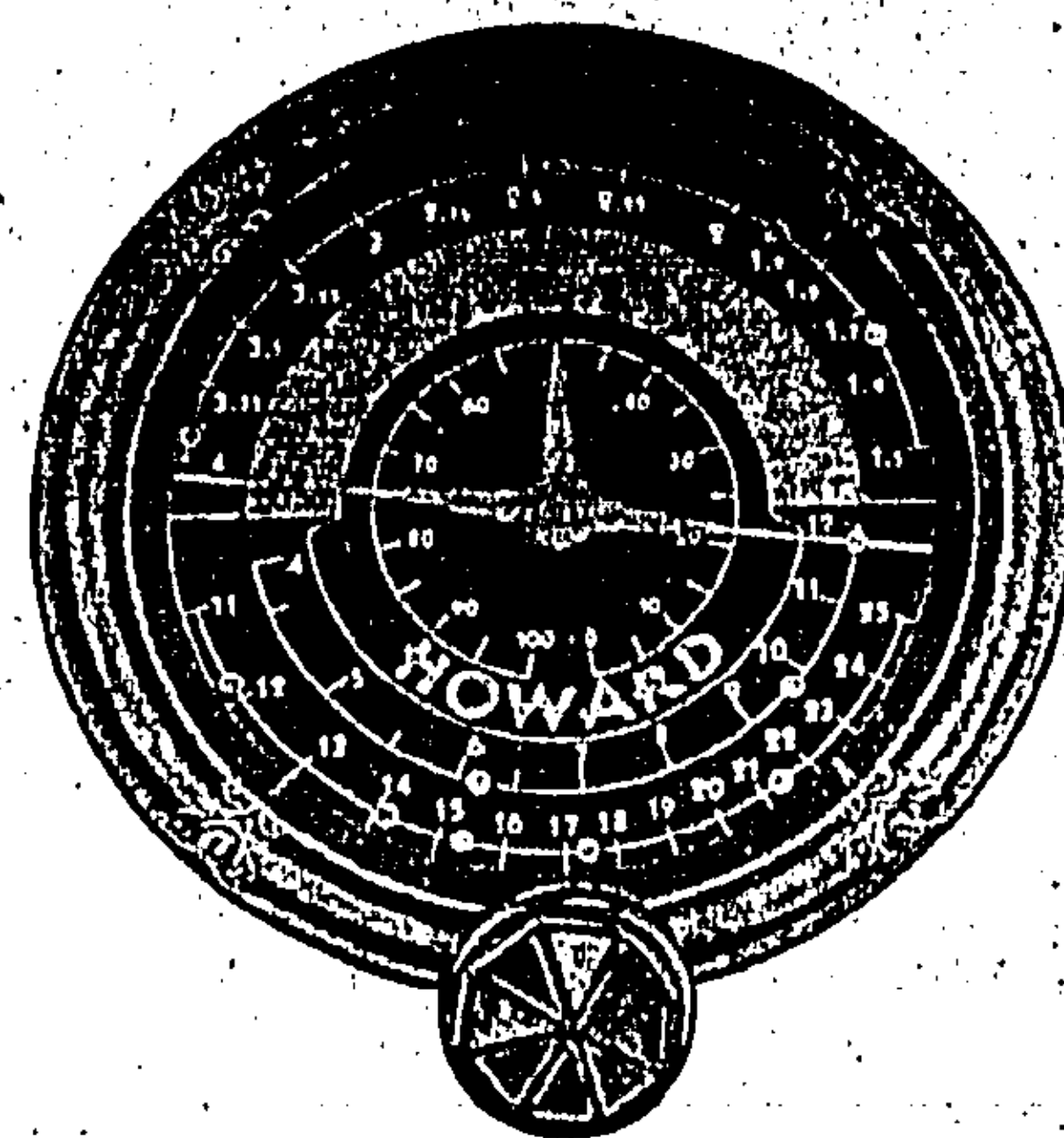
Arrangements are well in hand for two expeditions being organized by the Public Schools Exploring Society.

The senior expedition, for Public School boys from 17 to 19 years of age, is to visit Northern Lapland and the Arctic Coastal Region, and a junior expedition for boys from 15 to 17 will journey to South-east Lapland.

Surgeon-Commander Murray Leitch, R.N., will be in command.

"One of the objects of the Expedition," the *Sunday Chronicle* was told recently, is to obtain information about bird and insect life. The collections will be presented to the British Museum."

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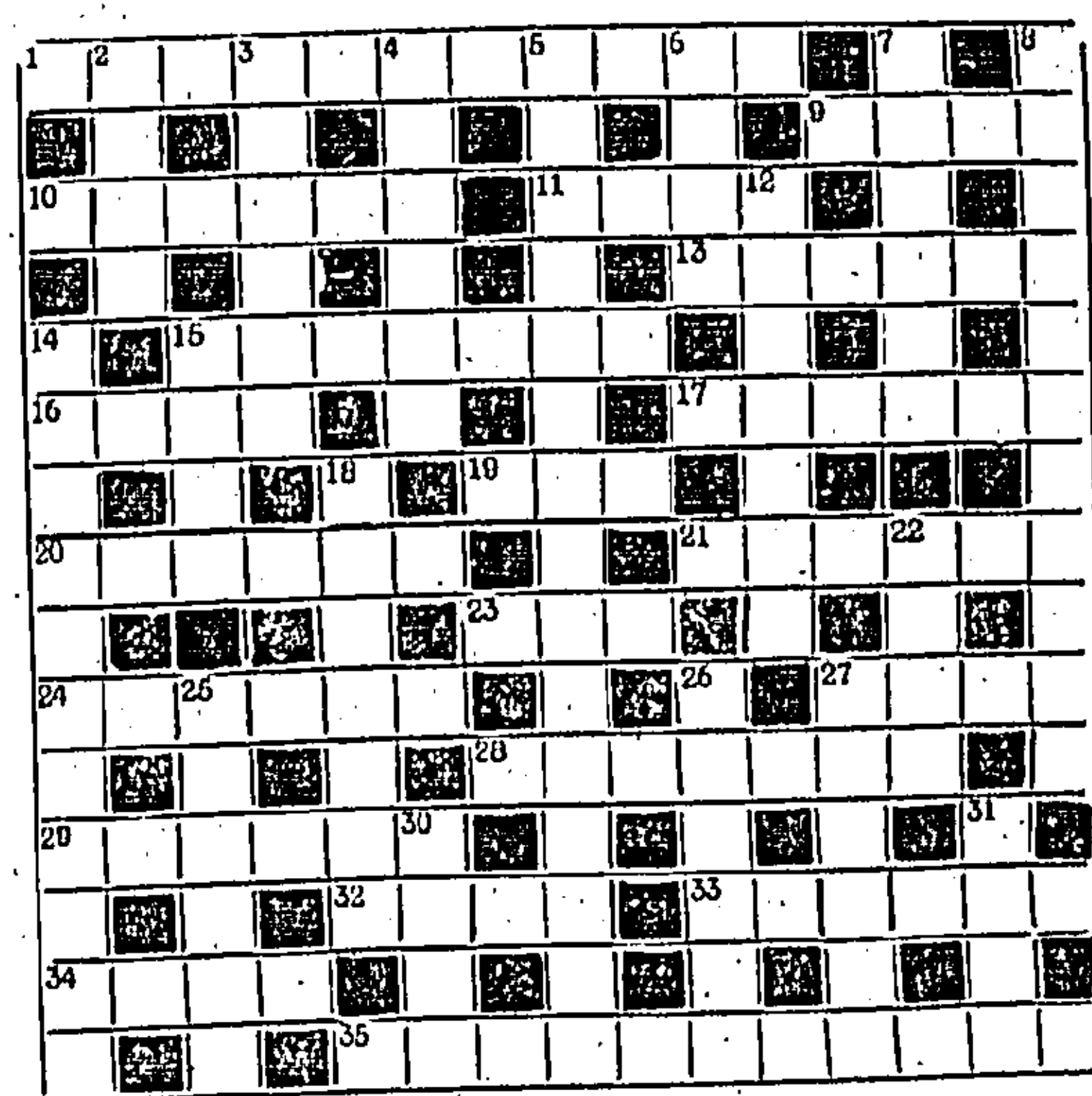
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- 12 Nesting places.
- 13 Insects house owners like.
- 16 Second-hand.
- 17 Bacon, side ways.
- 19 This article is definite.
- 20 Seen in Southend early.
- 21 May be run down though stout enough.
- 23 Animal copy.
- 24 Loses to a poet at times.
- 27 Counterfeit.
- 28 Opposite number (hyphens 3-1-3).
- 29 Root.
- 32 Hauling fellow this.
- 33 All in low for the launch.
- 34 Bottle this.
- 35 Favourite resort.

DOWN

- 2 English politician who's always in Sweden.
- 3 Admitted more than selfishness.
- 4 Encroachment.
- 5 Means to sever one's connection. Was he too Bohemian? (Four words, 2, 3, 3, 7).
- 6 The rogue lost his head in the church.
- 7 What's cut in 5 may be this.

8 Trice in two inelegant words (4, 7).

- 12 Shoestrings pass these.
- 14 Virtue leaps in the highest degree.
- 15 Nurse.
- 18 Bird.
- 22 Character in "Ben Hur" (rev.).
- 25 Breakfast table story in instalments.
- 26 Clock, not necessarily to hide.
- 27 Like "blazes".
- 30 Ground game.
- 31 If you get yours, you're annoyed.

Yesterday's Solution

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CANTON GOLD SPELL GIVES PLACE TO SUNSHINE AND WARMTH

Canton, Dec. 16.
The sun staged a gallant comeback this afternoon in Canton city. The cold wind died down after playing havoc with the poor people since

the week-end.
The sunshine was heartily welcome in contrast to the dreary cold weather and lowering skies. The weather is likely to continue warm for the next 24 hours.

Six persons died of cold during the past four days. The charitable institutions gave hot congee and warm padded clothes to many poor people. —Union News.

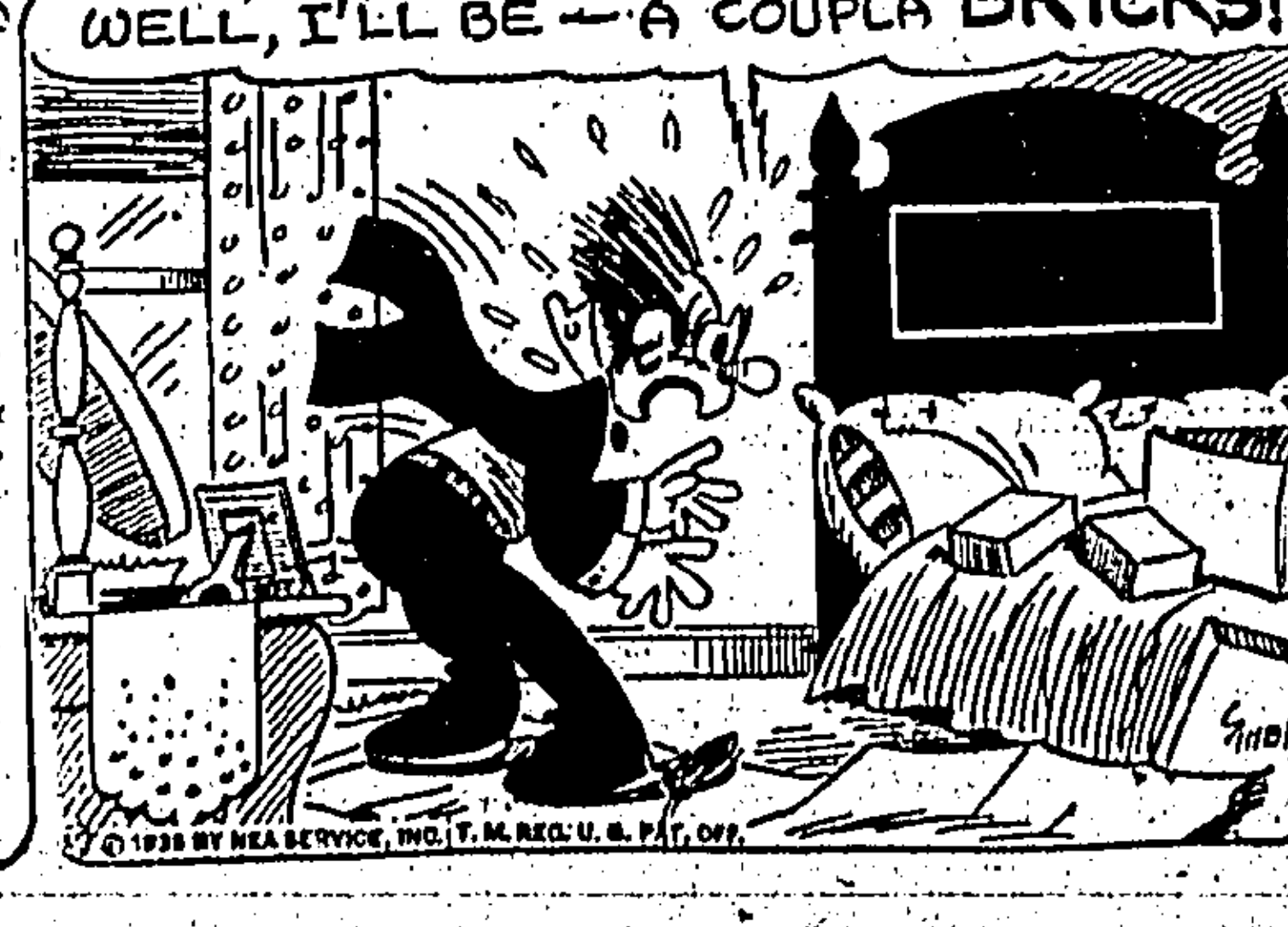
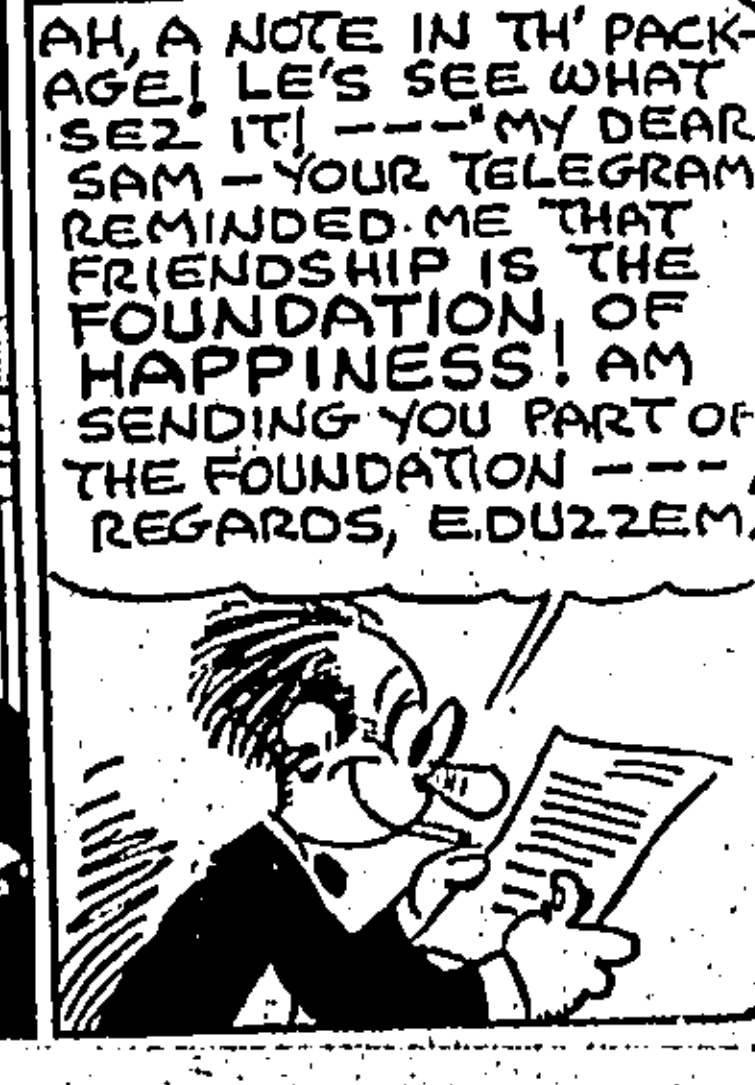
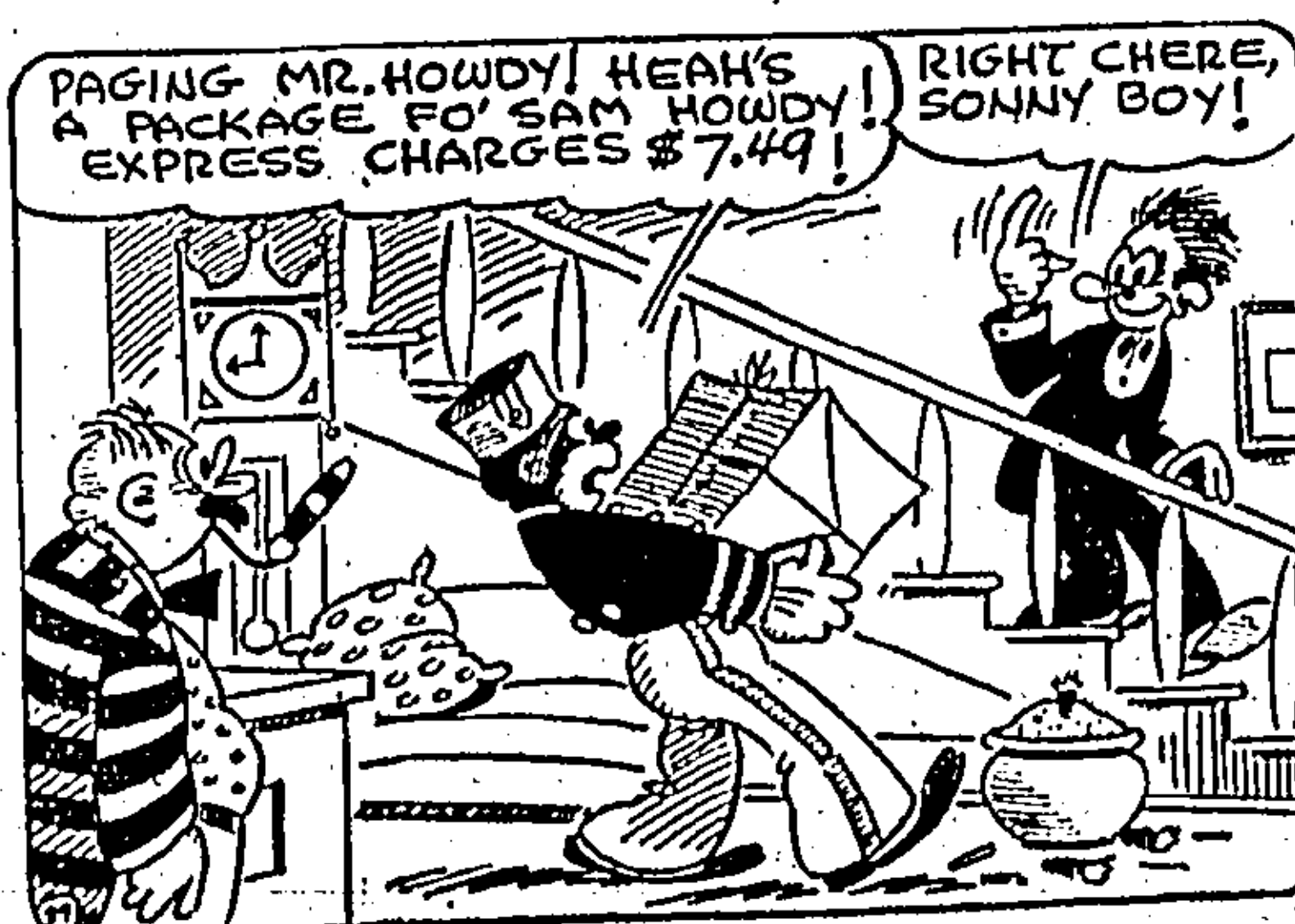
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ON JOB
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Anti-British riots in Cairo make Sir Miles Lampson's post a difficult one. He is British High Commissioner of Egypt, and was formerly Minister to Nanking.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA SHOWS HOW BETS BALANCE BUDGET

Last year the South Australian Government decided to tax bookmakers and betting.

Now, at the end of the financial year, the tax is found to have produced £130,000 and actually to have balanced the State's budget with a surplus of £36,226. But for the tax, there would have been another deficit.

To bring this about, South Australia had 25,000,000 bets.

This revenue from betting has amazed even the Premier, Mr. Butler. He is now being besieged by requests from the racing clubs who claim a share, and by the bookmakers who claim a reduction of the tax.

But although in the current year with its extra turf meetings and its influx of visitors for South Australia's centenary celebrations, the tax is likely to yield still greater revenue, Mr. Butler is keeping his counsel, says *Austral News*. He is making sure of another balanced budget.—*Austral News*.

INTERNATIONAL UNREST MEANS BIGGER R. A. F.

MANY MORE MACHINES FOR EMPIRE DEFENCE

FAR EAST COMPLICATIONS CAUSE UNEASINESS IN LONDON

There is to be an addition to the R.A.F. expansion programme already announced of between 200 and 250 more aircraft of the first line.

Under the scheme announced in May it was planned to expand the R.A.F. to a total of 1,940 aircraft.

Should the number of additional aircraft to be constructed be 250, the total would be 2,190, allocated as follows:

Home Defence First Line	1,500
Fleet Air Arm and Overseas Units	690

The further increase is mainly designed to meet requirements overseas. The expansion programme presumably is planned to be completed by May, 1937.

The personnel needed for the increase, which will probably be the subject of an official announcement shortly, will be from 2,500 to 3,000 officers and men, flying and non-flying.

Unless international affairs take a more favourable turn, an increase in the strength of Air Force units overseas on a permanent basis is essential and urgent.

It is not intended that there shall be any weakening of Home Defence in order that overseas units may be strengthened. When the Two-Year expansion programme was announced, the Secretary for Air stated:

"If the programme proves insufficient we will increase it, cost what it may in money and effort."

PARITY WITH FRANCE

The total of 1,500 for Home Defence was arrived at as the figure necessary for parity with Germany, which intends to be equal with France; in other words, to have at least 1,500 aircraft.

France, indeed, has a total of 1,670, including those in North Africa, and those can easily be brought home in an emergency. Germany's present-day strength is not certainly known. She has about 550 aircraft actually organised in squadrons, but has built, and is building, at a great rate.

There is no doubt Germany will have parity with France in the next few months, and the necessity imposed upon

Great Britain is therefore obvious.

The problem thus presented has for some time past seriously occupied the attention of the Government and the Air Staff. The Government's attitude is guided by the rule:

Be prepared for the possible, hoping the worst will not happen, but by preparation countering and perhaps averting it.

This rule supersedes the now discarded "Prepare for the best, hoping the worst will not befall."

FAR AND NEAR EAST

To the problem presented by Germany's great preparations by air, sea and land is added the complication of affairs in the Near East and the Far East. There the normal strength of our Air Force has for long past been far short of our needs, and recent events have compelled the Government already to take certain measures and to prepare still more important changes.

Whatever measures be taken, it is the Government's definite resolve that the force available for Home Defence shall not be weakened.

The progress of the Two-Year expansion scheme is satisfactory. There is no reason to fear that an immediate provision for the further addition of 200 or 250 aircraft of the First Line would present any insuperable difficulty.

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Miss Jean Batten, the young New Zealand woman flier, shown with the plane in which she recently flew from Australia to England and thence across the Atlantic to South America. She was the first woman to have accomplished the feat. Natal, Brazil, was Miss Batten's objective.

Man In 'Death Row' Is Reading— For His Life



New York, Dec. 10. **BRUNO RICHARD HAUPTMANN**, convicted murderer and kidnapper of the Lindbergh baby, has taken his life into his own hands.

When the United States Supreme Court announced today that it would give consideration to Hauptmann's last appeal for a new trial, Hauptmann demanded that the voluminous reports of his Fleming trial should be brought to him in "Death Row" in Trenton Prison.

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Chicago, Dec. 10. A man of 94 has been certified by New York physicians to be the father of a baby born a few weeks ago, the *Journal of the American Medical Association* reported.

The man is the father of 16 other children and grandfather of 38. The baby which attracted widespread attention of medical men was born to his second wife, a widow of 27 whom he married last year.

His name was withheld, but the *Journal* said his parenthood had been authenticated by New York physicians after exhaustive investigation.

The aged father was born on a

farm in North Carolina in 1840. He joined the Confederate Army at the outbreak of the Civil War, and returned to farming afterward.

He married in 1872, his first wife living until 10 years ago and bearing him 16 children, of which six are still living.

He always has been a man of outdoor habits, the report said, has had no operations, accidents or hospitalization of any sort. He chews tobacco, but does not smoke. Until a few years ago he "used considerable alcohol." His mother died at the age of 103.

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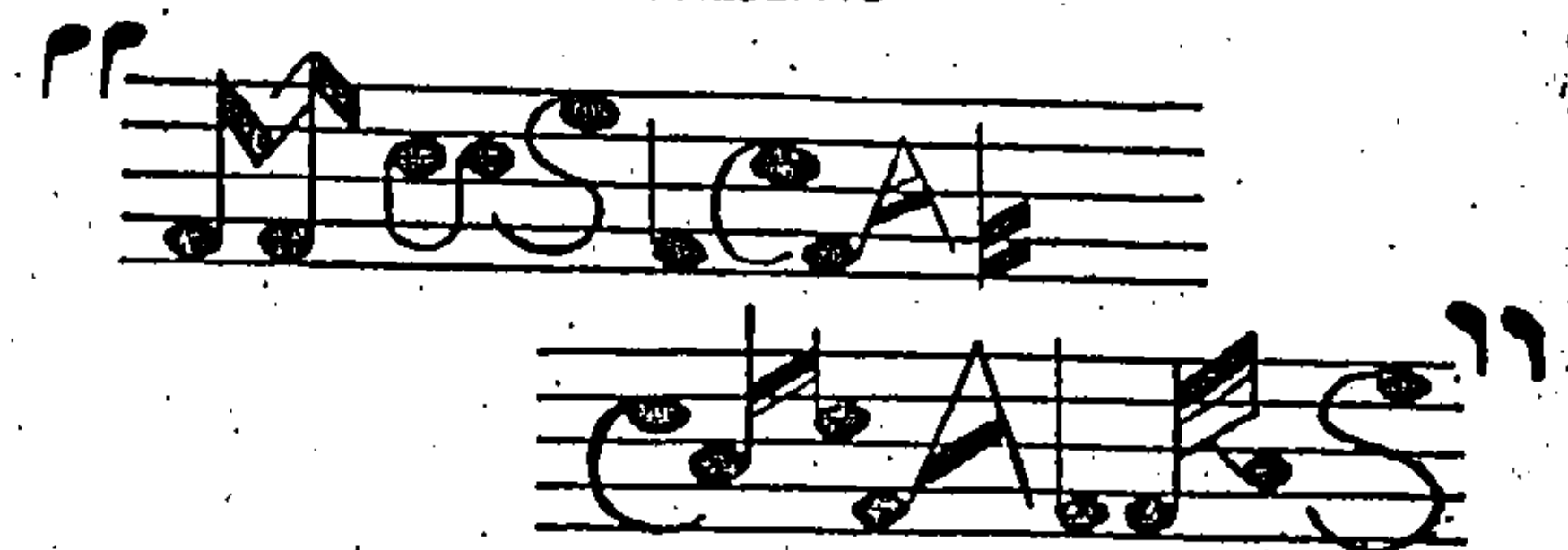
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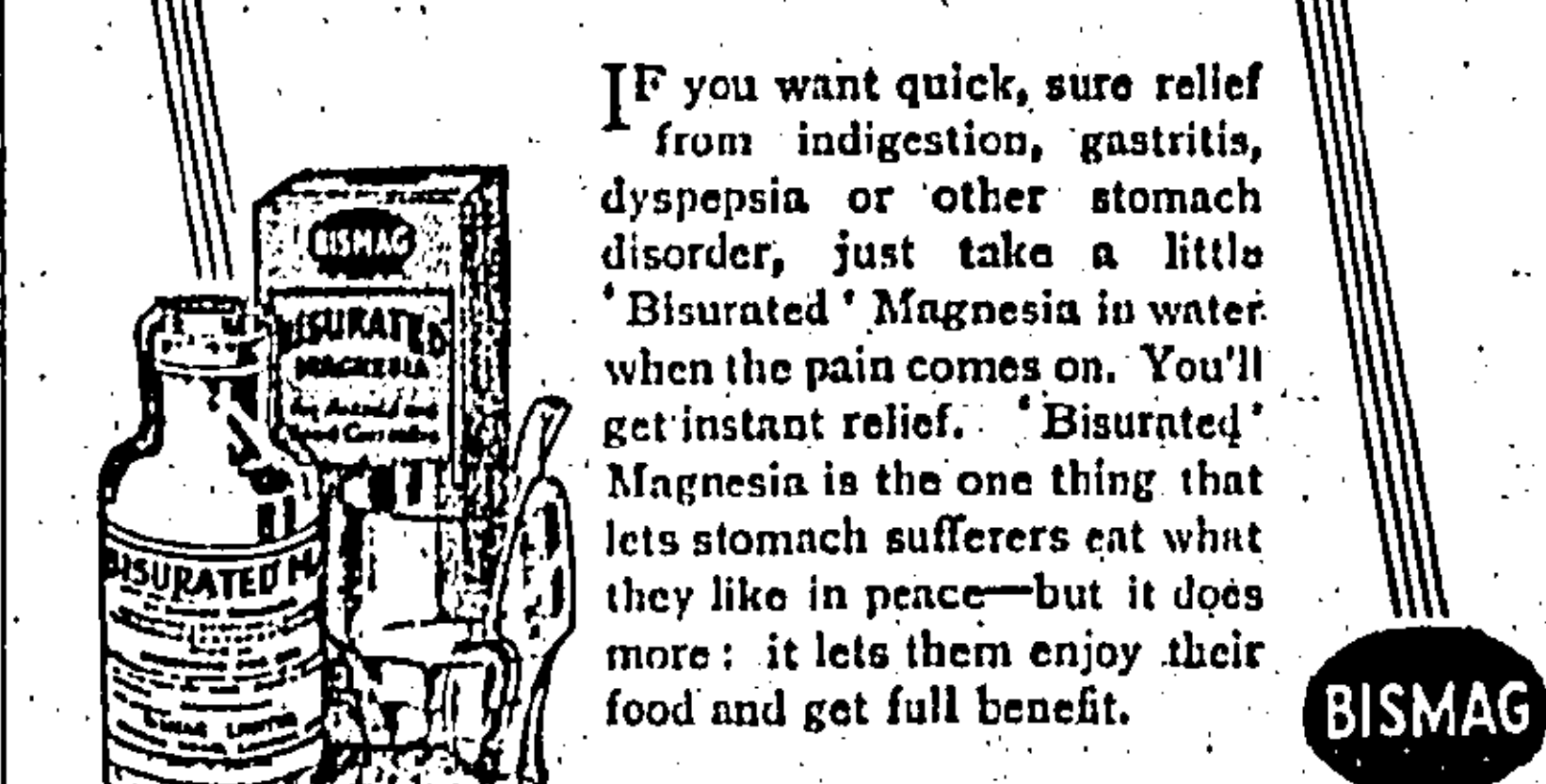
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INWARD MAILS

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 26th November)	December 17.
Straits and Air Mail ex "Imperial Service" (London, 3rd December)	December 17.
and "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 4th December)	December 17.
Straits	December 17.
Japan	December 17.
Haiphong	December 18.
Australia and Manila	December 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 20th Nov.)	December 19.
Shanghai, Foochow and Amoy	December 19.
Amoy	December 19.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 30th November)	December 20.
Japan and Shanghai	December 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd Nov.)	December 20.
Saigon	December 20.
Straits and Europe via Nippon Yusen Kaisha (London, 21st November and Air Mail ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 7th Dec.)	December 21.
Japan and Manila	December 21.
Straits	December 21.
Japan	December 21.
Straits and Manila	December 22.
Straits	December 22.
Straits and London parcels—London, 16th November	December 24.
Calcutta and Straits	December 24.
Manila	December 20.
Manila	December 20.
Java	December 25.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Straits, Sandakan, Aden, and Europe via Marseilles, 18th January	Tuesday.	Tues., Dec. 17.
(Due Marseilles, 18th January)	G.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg. Dec. 17, Noon	Reg. Dec. 17, 12.45 p.m.	
Letters Dec. 17, Noon	Letters Dec. 17, 1.30 p.m.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang Tues., Dec. 17, 2 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., C. and S. America, Canada and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via San Francisco, 7th January. (Due San Francisco, 7th January)	Reg. Dec. 17, 3 p.m.	
Saigon	Reg. Dec. 17, 4.15 p.m.	
Amoy	Reg. Dec. 17, 5 p.m.	
Manila	Reg. Dec. 17, 5 p.m.	
*Saigon, *Manila, Sandakan, Salamana and Rabaul	Reg. Dec. 17, 5 p.m.	
Neptuna	Tues., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.	
Wednesday.		
Foochow via Swatow	Chungking .. Wed., Dec. 18, 8.30 a.m.	
Swatow	Seistan .. Wed., Dec. 18, 3 p.m.	
Amoy	Tainan .. Wed., Dec. 18, 3.30 p.m.	
Thursday.		
Letters for "Imperial Service"	Buenos Aires Maru .. Thurs., Dec. 19, due London, 3rd January 1936.	
Letters for "K.L.M. Service" due Amsterdam, 30th December	G.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg. Dec. 19, 10.30 a.m.	Reg. Dec. 19, 11 a.m.	
Letters Dec. 19, 11 a.m.	Letters Dec. 19, 11.30 a.m.	
Japan	Kamo Maru Thurs., Dec. 19, 1.30 p.m.	
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa	Reg. Dec. 19, 1.30 p.m.	
Manila	Reg. Dec. 19, 1.30 p.m.	
Friday.		
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Klungchow Fri., Dec. 20, 1 p.m.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hui Ning Fri., Dec. 20, 3 p.m.	
Letters for "Imperial Service"—Due London 6th January	Hakusan Maru Fri., Dec. 20.	
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—Due Amsterdam, 2nd January	G.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg. Dec. 20, 4 p.m.	Reg. Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Letters Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Manila	Reg. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles. (Due Marseilles, 18th January 1936.)	Reg. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Reg. Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Reg. Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	Letters Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
*Shanghai, *Japan and *San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 12th Jan.)	Reg. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
*Manila	Reg. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C., 7th January)	Reg. Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	
Saturday.		
Straits and Calcutta	Tilawa Sat., Dec. 21.	
Parcels Dec. 20, 5 p.m.	Letters Dec. 21, 9 a.m.	
Haiphong	Canton Sat., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Kashima Maru Sat., Dec. 21, 3.30 p.m.	Siberia	
Amoy	Kaying Sat., Dec. 21, 3.30 p.m.	
Sunday.		
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwelyang Sun., Dec. 22, 9 a.m.	
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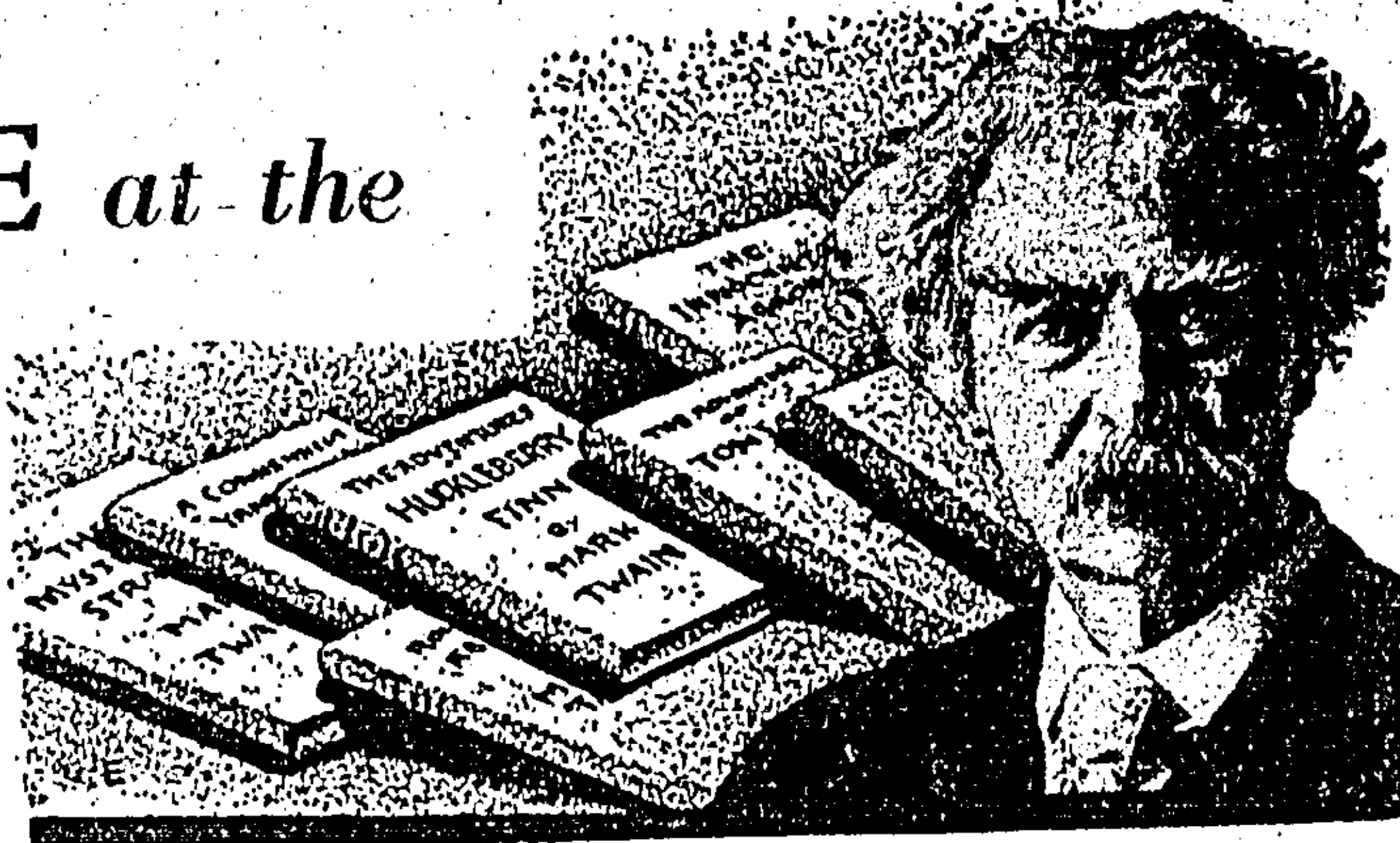
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TUESDAY, DEC. 17, 1935.

STARK POVERTY

During the week-end, Hongkong has had some unpleasant reminders of the state of extreme poverty in which so many of its inhabitants live. The annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children served to bring the issue once again to the fore, and the revelations made by the Bishop of Victoria, in his sermon on Sunday, of what he saw in a tenement house in the city, vividly illustrated the appalling conditions with which the poorest of the poor have to put up. Bishop Hall's statement, which parallels facts disclosed in the annual report of the S.P.C., is worth emphasising in condensed form. In one cock-loft in a cubicle there were no fewer than seven families accommodated on separate bed-spaces, occupied by fifteen people. These bed-spaces are all that the occupants can afford to rent, and they have to do duty for the accommodation of the families day and night. Of the fifteen occupants in these cramped and unhealthy surroundings it was discovered that four were children supporting their parents by what they could pick up; three were daughters of a woman who was undergoing a term of imprisonment for no more serious offence than that of hawking without a licence! No-one with a spark of humanity in his or her make-up can read facts like these without feeling that there is something sadly lacking in the social services of the Colony. The Society for the Protection of Children, and other bodies as well, are doing what they can to ameliorate the lot of these poor people, but, at best, their efforts only touch the fringe of a big social problem. As Bishop Hall was at pains to point out, these people are our fellow-citizens; well might he ask what kind of training for future fatherhood and motherhood is possible under the conditions in which these poverty-stricken people exist. It is no answer to the problem to say that there are laws against overcrowding, and that if these laws were strictly enforced, such hovels would automatically disappear. The problem is an economic one, and the dominant fact about it is that the people affected could not possibly afford to rent better quarters—they would merely be forced into the ranks of the street sleepers. Admittedly, much of the slum property in this Colony is of a type which would not for one moment be tolerated in England, where such houses are being compulsorily demolished, with no compensation paid to the owners. But to enforce demolition here, and be unable to provide alternative accommodation within the rent-paying capacity of the present tenants, would not solve the question. Again we are thrust back to the economic aspect. In the long run, when standards of living are raised beyond the mere subsistence level, the problem will solve itself. Mean-

A YANKEE at the COURT of KING LAUGHTER



MARK TWAIN never quite knew what he wanted to be. As written in an encyclopedia, his life sounds like an orderly and progressive triumph. In reality it wasn't. He was just moving round, thinking what to do next. When at last he found out what he wanted to be—a great social reformer—it was too late.

Mark Twain was, in reality, a "minstrel." He spent his life in moving about from place to place, from occupation to occupation, from dream to dream.

In his village home at Hannibal, Missouri, he learned the trade of a printer; not for printing the sake, but because if you learn to print you don't have to stay in Hannibal, Missouri. He wandered round for about five years (1853-57) in the cities of the States, taking his job with him, quitting it in one place and taking it up in another.

Then he started for South America—probably because there was no printing there to speak of. On the way he "struck" New Orleans, stuck there, and then, attracted by the glamour of the Mississippi steamboat and by the call of the Great River to one of its children, turned into a pilot, and navigated up and down the Father of Waters. Of literature he never dreamed. It came by accident.

NOTES OF THE DAY

BACK TO SILVER?

We who try to follow the tortuous paths of exchange, sometimes hoping, sometimes cast down, have wondered for some time just how the Government, or the "Government banks," proposed to control the Colony's dollar value; or if they intended to control it. We have asked where we should not have asked, possibly; but since there is no official explanation of the details of the Government's intentions, we have inquired in unofficial quarters. Opinions are to be had in plenty. Exchange brokers and speculators do not hesitate to air their views, with the forlorn hope, perhaps, that they will get into print and influence the market in the right direction. The exchange speculator has been greatly handicapped by the Government's action in sequestering silver and the banks' refusal to do forward business, or any business at all without a large margin coverage. Exchange brokers are a little "fed up." However, they still have their views and shreds of their hopes. One of these views, which apparently enjoys considerable popularity, is that the Government is as much embarrassed by its recently promulgated policy as the brokers themselves. The Government took over the banks' silver, paying a reasonable price for it, we believe, with the intention of selling the metal on the London or other markets, the unofficial story goes. But within a few days of the sequestration of the silver stocks, the silver market cracked. The price fell away and the principal buyer, if not the only buyer in any quantity, the United States Treasury, refused to take more than a fraction of the offerings. The Government of Hongkong, having more silver than it knew what to do with, found itself in much the same position as any speculator, with the market going quite the wrong way. And this is the climax of the unofficial story—the Government's dream of obtaining a substantial

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time, however, it has to be faced. The time may come when the Government will be able to provide something in the nature of a poor law institution; until then, the task falls on such organisations as the S.P.C., eloquent appeals for the support of which were made last night. We cannot believe that these appeals will fall on deaf ears. The responsibility is a communal one; it should be freely discharged.

WHEN the Civil War closed the river he had to go somewhere else. He couldn't join in the war. His clear vision showed him that both sides were perfectly right—as they are in all great wars.

He enlisted in some non-descript Confederate irregulars, got someone, in his own words, to "hold his gun for a minute," and moved on. He went west because he couldn't go east, "roughing it" across the plains as secretary to the Secretary of Nevada—his brother.

Not liking official life, he quit it to go into mining, and quit mining, when the first frenzy was over, to go into journalism. This was Nevada journalism, all localised, heedless of the outer world living on quips and gags, punctuated with pistol shots, late suppers and minor riots and tumults.

It suited young Clemens to the ground. There was in it just that mixture of effort and idleness that was the effort of his being. Sam Clemens he still was, but the "boys" were already beginning to call him "Mark Twain," after the *nom de plume* (taken from the pilot's jargon) that he signed to his articles.

In the Nevada journalism—in the American journalism of the day—nobody used his own name. It wasn't good enough. They signed themselves "Dan De Quille," "Philander Q. Doesticks," Artemus Ward and Petroleum Nasoby—something with all the colour of the morning in it.

CHASED out of Nevada—by a duel—"Mark" went to San Francisco—into real journalism, and couldn't stand it. From first to last he hated taking orders from anybody. There is no interest in just doing what you have to do. So he went back to mining, got sick of it again and took a wind-fall trip to the Sandwich Islands, which were then really islands.

In all of this there was no thought of a literary career, no background of education or college, none of that sedulous preparation for a career which is supposed to be the means of obtaining one. Mark Twain's life came by accident. No doubt it was better so. A college course would have stifled him. His queer genius for what is called "humour" grew best by itself, like the beautiful flowers for which the bulbs must first sprout in the dark.

When Mark got back from the islands, he "wrote the island up"—a huge local success, and then the "boys" put him up to give a lecture on the islands in San Francisco and all of a sudden a crown of laurel fell on his head, amid the roaring laughter of a Californian audience. Here was a new life-work—to go all round the world and "write it up" and lecture about it. A local newspaper put up the money and off went Mark Twain as an "Innocent Abroad" in 1867 and came back to find he had exchanged a Californian notoriety for an international reputation.

HE lectured in New York before he went, and in a lot of places after he got back. Henceforth lecturing was wished by fate upon his life. But he disliked it, as does everybody who can do it well. More than that, he didn't like the notion of just being a "funny man"; like so many of us, he despised his own trade.

Still looking for a life-work, Mark Twain, with the "Innocents" money, bought a share in the *Buffalo Express*, and sat at an editor's desk hour by hour and day by day, as eager at first as a Californian miner washing out pay-dirt, and presently as disillusioned.

Some of the dirt he washed out—in the random articles that punctuated his editorials—was rare stuff. Here belongs his famous "Siege of Paris Map" (the year was 1870), for which he whittled out a block, with a jack-knife, in his office.

These were the opening days of his married life with Mark trying hard to be respectable, to forget how to swear, and to join his beloved Livy in evening prayer. But he couldn't "stick it." He wasn't a journalist—not that kind, with a desk and a chair. And in any case he had begun to discover that he didn't need to be; it began to look as if he was to be a "literary man."

It was the English—the public and the critics—who first told him so, who first really discovered Mark Twain. The "boys" in California thought him "funny," the professors in Boston thought him cheap. It was the English who first discovered that he was an author.

THE English of that period—it was the middle nineteenth century—after despising everything American, from George Washington down, had made a sudden and cheerful discovery of American humour. England took the frail and gentle Artemus Ward to its heart like a little child from far away. And when the little child grew tired and died on English soil, his friend Mark Twain fell heir to the inheritance.

Within a few years Mark Twain became for them the American humorist—unrivaled, with a place all his own, not as a clown, but as an artist, a genius. From then till the end England never lost its appreciation.

Once indeed, when he published "Connecticut Yankee in the Court of King Arthur," there was a brief hurricane of anger. But it easily passed. After all, the book is funny, roaringly funny; what does it matter if it is false as history, and ridiculous as social theory?

BUT all that came later. Mark Twain left Buffalo to live in Hartford, Connecticut, and turned into an author—that is, a man with no definite means of support. There followed the books which, after the first triumph of the "Innocent," spread his name round the world—"Tom Sawyer" and "Roughing It," and "Huckleberry Finn"—the greatest book ever written in America. Mark Twain found that to write a book he had only to recall his Mississippi days or to look back to where the sunsets fell on the Nevada mountains. It was a gold mine indeed.

KELLY'S CHESS TROUBLE

NOTICED in yesterday's *Telegraph* that our old friend Doc Alekhine was defeated in the world's chess championship by Euwe. That's what comes of having names like that.

We did not play in the championships this year. We had enough trouble last year.

We were playing at Geneva and the continual bawling among the players upset the League of Nations to such an extent that they applied sanctions to us.

And once you get a sanction on you it's very hard to get off. We tried petrol and ammonia, and even sand-paper, but you can still see signs of it on us now.

You see, it was this way. Our grandfather had just beaten the Yugo-slavian welterweight, Katinzo, and was standing behind our chair while we played Upsa Daxio, the Turkish Tiger. We led off using the Alsatian gambit, and pawned Daxio's queen in the first half-hour.

Perhaps we'd better explain the game before we go any farther. Chess is played on a black and white board.

But even as he wrote and the world laughed—lectured and the audience roared, his mind was on other things. His desk was always crammed with manuscripts, meant as the beginning of vast performances, huge satires on creation, elemental denunciations of the Old Testament, a passionate outcry against the injustice of our human lot.

Most of it never got published. He couldn't bear to hurt the old-fashioned piety of his wife, the austerity of his New England friends. He couldn't bear to check the laughter of the public.

Nor was this all. Mark Twain, inspired with that hatred of publishers which has disfigured the lives of so many authors, determined to be a publisher himself. He floated a company, made a fortune for his dying friend General Grant and his heirs—and brought down ruin on himself.

The financial wreck made by publishing was completed by what he thought "shrewd investment" (he saw that his real life-work should have been finance), and by a desperate attempt to float a new and wonderful machine that would set type for printing. He foresaw that there were millions and millions in it. There were; but not for him.

While his fortune was ebbing out, Mark Twain, perpetually going back and forth from America to England, was writing his "Joan of Arc"—a book that was the pride of his heart, but heavy as lead if it had not his name to float it.

Then came ruin; and with it, at sixty years of age, a renewed access of his California energy: a trip around the world, lecturing and writing—in imitation of what he once had been—and nobly done at that.

THE last ten years of his life were just an episode, a life of wandering with only an empty home to come to—vagaries about Christian Science, attacks on missionaries, a voice lifted up against Imperialism, American Expansion, and European Conquest.

But the world would not have it so. They took it as just the peevish talk of a beloved old man, against whom one could not take offence. They still passed round the books with the picture on the cover of "Mark" with his Missouri corn-cob pipe. When he said he was a Chinese "boxer" (and he meant it) they laughed and said, "Have you heard Mark's latest?"

They gave him college degrees, pretended that he was a doctor of laws—and so, crowned with honours, he was gently escorted out of life—not yet having started.

All the white squares are next the black squares, and all the black squares are next the white squares. This is to keep them separate. Then you are given a handful of rooks (not the kind you know) and pawns, and kings, and queens, and bishops, and castles which you spread out on the board indiscriminately. You then go to sleep. The first to wake up moves something on the board, and then it is the other player's turn.

Well (stop shuffling your feet!) as we say, we pawned Daxio's queen with a clever feint with the rook, and a right-cross with the king behind the touch-line. Daxio was furious, and said that if we did it again he was going home, and taking his board with him because it was his board, and he was only letting us play on it as a favour.

We said what about the fishing rod we lent him two years ago, and he said we'd never had a fishing rod.

Our grandfather in the meantime had pinched Daxio's rook, and hid it behind the clock. Then someone tipped the table over and we had to start all over again.

We were lucky to get out of the place alive.

BAD LIGHT: GOOD DECLARATIONS: POOR WICKETS

REVELATIONS OF THE WEEK-END CRICKET

PET THEORIES PROVED DRAWING STUMPS TIME MAKES CRICKET FARICAL

(By R. ABBIT)

There was a very good game between the Army and the Club on Saturday last and it illustrated three of my pet theories: one, that if you want to win, and would just as soon lose as draw, then put the other fellow in to bat; another you cannot afford to go on batting when you have got 175 on the board unless your aim is not to run the slightest chance of defeat, rather than to win the game; and finally that the idea of playing until 5.45 p.m. in December is turning the closing stages of the game into a farce.

Waltch won the toss against the Club and as the Army have already lost two matches nothing is worth anything to them but outright victories. He put his opponents in—very properly I consider—in the hope of a collapse—not very likely—or of putting the onus of the early declaration on them.

Then Hayward had the decision to make. He batted, I am told, until ten minutes to four, thus giving the Army as long to bat as the Club had. But it also meant that he only gave himself that time in which to dispose of the whole Army side—while the Club had only lost four wickets.

I do not mean to say that I think it was a bad decision but I do think it was a bad decision. A decision to bat for twenty-five runs earlier might have cost him the match but I fancy the chance was very small, for the Army batting is not good at present. But the extra minute would have been invaluable. As it was the Army thinks to a fine first wicket stand by Bonavia and Williams and a near-guard action by Waltch and Garthwaite cleared off a lee shore and saved the game.

ABOUT THE LIGHT

And now as regards the light. The Army captain told me that he went in at ten past five and was out at five twenty-five. During the last quarter of an hour he said he could hardly see the ball at all and as cricket went on for twenty minutes it is obvious how farcical the situation was.

The game started in a way that suggested a collapse might come. Hayward covered—Garthwaite's fourth ball beautifully along the boundary to the boundary and was yoked by a swinger next ball. Shortly after the same bowler tried his patent leg break which stuck in his hand and Duckitt, playing it after the second bounce cut it hard into his stumps. It is a long time since I have seen a batsman get a wicket.

But then Pearce after surviving two or three uncomfortable overs from Ballard, who bowled very well without luck, stopped the rot and proceeded to play a lovely innings, of which the chief feature was his delightful full driving through the covers. While Pearce kept them down, Gillespie went in for some very straight and lofty driving. I learn that he lifted one ball into the first floor verandah of the Club. I personally have never seen it done though I've seen the Registrar's window broken by Ginger Dale.

With a nominal hour and three quarters left but the opening Army

pair went for the runs and scored forty-six in the first half hour. But when Williams got out there was a horrid slump and four wickets fell very quickly. There was nothing left for Waltch and Garthwaite to do but to hang on with Bonavia who played a fine knock and saved his side. Pearce was obviously tired but turned the ball a good deal and got three wickets.

FEARS WELL FOUNDED

The fears that I expressed earlier in the season that the wicket on the Club Ground was not going to play too well seem only too well founded. Right at the beginning of the game one of Garthwaite's popped up and in Duckitt's a bowler's crack. It got worse and one of the leading Army batsmen described it to me as the worst one he has ever experienced on that ground. I rather gathered that Williams, Dawson, Daniels and Waltch were all out to balls that popped a bit.

It has been stated in a contemporary that there was an appeal against the light by batsmen. The Army Skipper told me that the last over actually bowled finished at 5.42 or 5.43 and that he saw Hayward speak to the umpire and then they came in.

It is possible of course that one of the batsmen at the wicket spoke to Hayward, but in any case, there could only have been one wicket over and it is not very likely with one man well set and three wickets to go, that a definite decision would have been reached.

INDIANS MAKE NO MISTAKE

The I.R.C. skipper apparently agrees with me about the declaration. He closed the innings at 177 and that although there was always the chance of Brannell getting really going and of the Navy winning the match. As a matter of fact Brannell did get going. But the I.R.C. won by 48 runs. No one save Davenport, who seems to have a fine defence, gave him the slightest support.

The Indians were the far better side. A. H. Madar came off very nicely and A. S. Sufild is developing into one of the best opening batsmen in the Colony. He will bear watching in the future. This victory places the I.R.C. in a very strong position in their bid for the Shield and the Club will have to go all out to win.

It was very pleasant to see both our first class batsmen, who have had not too good a season so far generally, come off—curiously enough both on the same day. Perhaps, like violets in Peak gardens they do better in cold weather.

SECOND DIVISION

Most of the Second Division games went as anticipated. The I.R.C. easily beat the Navy, and K.C.C. beat the Civil Service who did by no means badly against rather a strong side. It seems George Lee does not like going on to bowl first as he failed to get a wicket. The Police were too strong for the Recreation, though Soares did well for the Kowloon team.

KWOK AND SMITH LOSE RECORD

FIRST BADMINTON REVERSE OF THE SEASON

F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith, St. John's No. 1 badminton pair lost a fine record last night against the Recreation "A". Up to that match they had won all nine games in which they appeared together and had scored 189 aces against 69. But they lost three games to Recreation, and their present figures read: Games played 12, won 9, lost 3, aces for 222, against 132. There are now only five couples who, having played, more than one match of three games boast 100 per cent. figures. G. A. White and S. A. Gray of Kowloon Tong have rather striking figures. Although only winning five out of 18 games, they have scored 238 aces (average of 13 per game) and conceded 334 aces (average 18).

Australians In Strong Position

HIT UP 280 FOR 4

Durban, Dec. 16. The Australians were building up a commanding position at the close of the second day's play in the Test match with South Africa here today. In response to South Africa's first innings of 248 the Australians hit up 280 for the loss of four wickets. Stanley McCabe, brilliant all-rounder carried off the chief honours with a knock of 149. W. A. Brown assisted with a useful 60 and L. Darling ended the day with 51 not out.

The Australians thus lead by 32 runs and have six wickets in hand.—*Reuter.*

Lord Hawke & George Gunn On l.b.w. Rule

"Though the Australian Cricket Board of Control have refused to give the new l.b.w. rule a trial during their South African tour, I intend to try again to persuade them to adopt it," said Lord Hawke to the *Sunday Dispatch*.

"Bradman and Richardson, the Australian players, are in favour of the new rule."

It provides that a batsman who puts his pads to a ball pitched outside the off stump, that would in normal course hit the wicket, should be given out.

"Ninety per cent. of cricketers favour the new l.b.w. rule, and sooner or later its application must be general," Lord Hawke declared.

He is making personal and unofficial efforts to persuade the Australian Board of Control to alter its decision not to adopt the rule.

"When the Australians next come to England they will be asked to recognize the rule, if it is finally agreed upon," Lord Hawke added.

"We can't have one rule one year and another the next."

"The majority of people want the new rule. I believe some Australian teams are observing it."

"By the end of next year the rule will probably be uniform."

George Gunn, famous ex-England and Nottingham batsman, commented to the *Sunday Dispatch*.

"I do not think that 90 per cent. of players favour the new rule. I believe that it gives the bowlers far too many advantages and the umpires too much rope."

Louis May Have Influence On Racial Feelings

BOXER'S ACHIEVEMENTS TO RETARD IMPROVED RELATIONSHIP?

New York, Dec. 15. Unless Joe Louis' triumphant march toward the world's heavyweight boxing championship is unexpectedly halted, he will become the best-known white of his generation. And he will probably try the gradually improving relations between the thirteen million blacks and 115 million whites who inhabit the United States.

When Jack Johnson was world champion two decades ago, there was much talk of "getting the tide back for the white race," and race riots were not infrequent whenever Johnson fought.

Racial relations have appeared more amicable in recent years, and the

predictions that Louis' match with Carnera would bring a general clash between Italians and Negroes—living close together in Harlem and already agitated over the Ethiopian war—were not fulfilled.

Harlem, largest negro centre in the world, went hilariously wild over Louis' victory. When the Detroit brown man knocked out Max Baer, former champion, there was another enormous celebration. Thousands of dollars won in bets, other thousands spent in amusement places for celebration, made money flow freely. Some small fights ensued, heads were cracked, and several arrests were made for disorderly conduct. In Detroit there was some scattered violence.



This picture shows the Morrison Hall, University football team of 1935. Back row: Y. Y. Cheng, Y. T. Cheng, Y. W. Ha, E. J. M. Churn. Middle row: H. T. Wu, K. L. Chan, D. S. Blake (Captain), S. V. Boxer (Warden), K. S. Chung. Front row: William Oh, S. L. Lee, S. H. Lee, S. S. Mak. (Photo: A. Fong.)

OXFORD UNIVERSITY'S RUGBY DEFEAT

13-8 BY EDINBURGH

London, Dec. 16. Oxford University rugby fifteen continued their Scottish tour today when they were entertained by Edinburgh. The University, however, proved no match for their hosts and were beaten by 13 points to 8. On Saturday last Oxford overcame Glasgow Academicals.—*Reuter.*

World's Best Squash Rackets Player

London, Dec. 16.

The Egyptian, Amr Bey, captain of the British Squash Rackets team which recently defeated the American contingent, today won the Amateur Squash Rackets Championship of England at the Bath Club, London, for the fourth time.

He defeated E. Snell, 1932 runner-up, in the final by 9/1 9/0 9/1 in under 20 minutes.

Snell, who is very nearly the best English Amateur player was completely outclassed by the most brilliant player the world has ever seen.—*Reuter.*

INTERNATIONAL CUP FOOTBALL

Scotland's 13 Players For Christmas Day

Scotland have thirteen players at their disposal for the International Charity Cup football match against China on Christmas Day, but it does not seem likely they will be in a position to turn out a very strong side.

Anyhow here are the players from which the final team will be selected. Rodger (Club), Blackburn (Police), Hill (Club), Gilchrist (Club), Gorman (East Lancs), Knight (R.A.), McLeavy (East Lancs), Matthews (R.A.), Knox (Kowloon), Howlett (R.F.), G. Duncan (Club), W. Knox (Kowloon), Bell (Club).

F.A. CUP DRAW ANALYSED

Few South v. North Clashes

LONDON CLUBS FAVoured

(By "Veritas").

One of the most interesting features of the draw for the third round of the F.A. Cup, made in London yesterday is the comparatively few clashes between northern and southern clubs. Out of the 32 games which will be played on January 11, only eight bring north and south teams together.

In each case the northerners have the advantage of playing at home. On the other hand if Reading beat Chester in the replay they will be at home to Manchester United.

The Cup holders, Sheffield Wednesday are to play on foreign soil being due to visit Crew, but West Bromwich, last year's runners-up are more fortunate and have a home match against Hull City, which should ensure an easy passage into the next round.

London clubs have fared reasonably well. Of the "Big Three," both the Arsenal and Chelsea have to travel the former either to Oldham or Bristol, and the Pensioners to Norwich. Neither task, however, should be beyond them.

Brentford also have to do some travelling, Leicester being their destination. The "Bees" can afford to be over-optimistic about this.

FAVoured LONDONERS

The rest of the London teams have been favoured. The Spurs are at White Hart Lane to Southend—this should be easy meat; Clapton Orient entertain Charlton, Fulham will receive either Scarborough or Brighton (they should beat either team), West Ham are hosts to Luton (another win indicated) and Millwall are before their own supporters against Stoke. Those two gallant Southern League teams, Dartford and Margate, have been harshly treated by the draw. Dartford have to journey up to Derby and try conclusions with the County, and Margate must travel to Blackpool. Dartford's elimination appears to be well nigh inevitable, but in view of Margate's rattling fine showing against Crystal Palace, they may force a replay against Blackpool. (Continued on Page 9.)

BADMINTON HINTS

THE SMASH AND THE LOB

NO. 3

The four strokes in badminton are the smash, the lob or clear, the drive, and the drop shot.

The smash is the chief attacking stroke. Play it as already described for the overhead stroke. Lean well back as you swing your racket behind you so that all your weight can come forward on to the left foot as you hit the shuttle, thus giving force to the stroke.

Follow through freely. Your racket should finish up close to the floor, unless it would hit the net on its way, in which case, of course, the follow through must be checked.

MORE WRIST ACTION

Place and placing are important. Try always to beat the shuttle down out of your opponent's reach. To do this you must be able to smash it down close to the net or near the back line. Strong wrist action is required to smash close to the net.

In the backhand smash the wrist and forearm do most of the work. This shot is, of course, not so effective as the forehand smash, for your weight cannot be used to the same advantage; so try to anticipate your opponent's intentions and spring into the position to return his, or her, shot with a forehand smash in preference to a backhand one.

The lob, or clear, is your principal defensive stroke. Your aim here is to keep a good length. The shuttle should, as a rule, drop just within the back line. A lob which falls within your opponent's reach spells disaster to you, for he will surely smash it back.

Think hard when you are about to lob and make full use of the opportunities it gives you. If you want time to get back into a good position for your next return send a high lob. If your opponent is up at the net and your aim is to prevent him from making a return, lob low and, of course, to the back of the court, but not low enough for him to intercept the shuttle in its flight!

Note that even if you are drawn up to the net it is possible to play a good-length lob, thanks to the shape of the shuttle.

LOCAL YACHTING

Last Race Of Ladies' Championship

Yesterday saw the last race of the Ladies' Championship series over a course of 2.2 miles. Joss, sailed by Miss Larsen was again winner in the "A" class and Rolla sailed by Miss B. M. Kirke in the "H" class, while Robena, with Miss H. Gerard at the helm was winner in the "P," "Y" and "G" classes.

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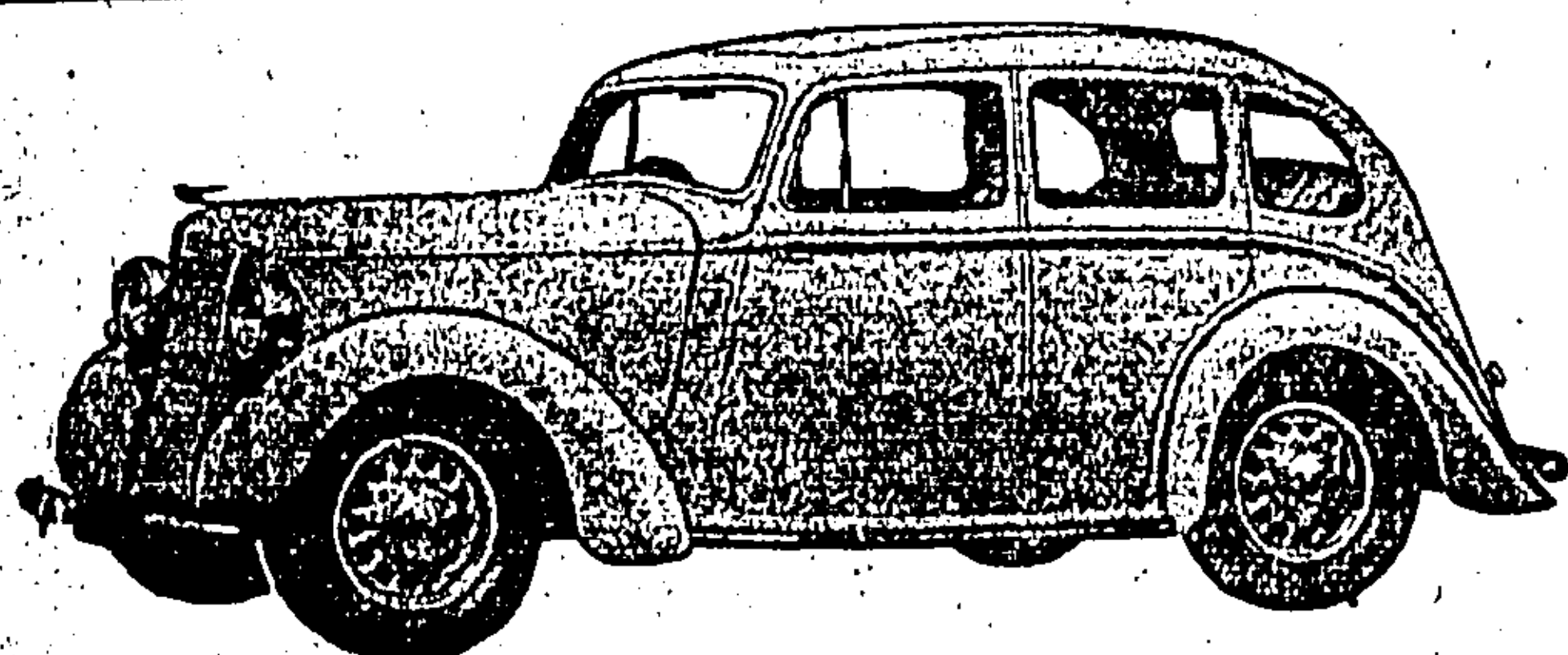
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BASEBALL BARTERING
BEGINSMANY IMPORTANT CHANGES IN
PERSONNEL EXPECTED

BIG MEETING IN PROCESS

New York, Dec. 15.

Numerous shifts in major league players, including possibly the biggest single cash player transaction ever made in baseball, are forecast during the major league meetings and winter trading season.

At the major league meetings in Chicago starting this morning, all the major league clubs, including even the two pennant winners, are expected to engage in wholesale bartering. The World Champion Detroit Tigers will not stand pat and already have a deal on the fire with Washington. Outfielder Gerald Walker is believed on his way to the Senators for either outfielder Fred Schulte or Heinie Manush and cash.

The Washington-Detroit deal, however, may be contingent on whether the Chicago White Sox decide to place outfielder Al Simmons on the market. If the White Sox dispose of Simmons, who experienced the worst batting slump of his career last season, probably he will land with Detroit and his former Athletic teammate, Mickey Cochrane.

The Tigers need outfield strength to place the gap in left field where Goose Goslin, a world series hero, is not likely to stand up over the 154-game grind. Goslin, however, has been termed "through" before and proved his critics wrong.

TO STAND PAT?

Charlie Grimm, manager of the Chicago Cubs, has announced that he will stand pat on his national league championship squad, but it is doubtful if Grimm will stick to that decision. The Cubs have discussed Pepper Martin with the St. Louis Cardinals. The New York Giants are also after Martin. The Cubs might outbid the Cardinals to get him to keep from seeing a rival team strengthened. Martin, an experienced hustling player, would be just the balance wheel the Cubs "Kid Team" needs. He would be played in centre field.

Chuck Klein, the erstwhile national league batting champion, and Woody English, captain and utility infielder maybe sent elsewhere from the Cubs. Klein failed to help the Cubs after a thorough trial, although he did come through in the series, and Woody English is too valuable an infielder to be kept on the bench, and may ask for a transfer.

The deal that may startle the baseball world is brewing between the Boston Red Sox and Philadelphia Athletics. Tom Yawkey, keenly disappointed over the failure of his Red Sox to finish higher than fourth, asked Connie Mack to quote him a price on six players—Foxe, Cramer, Marcum, Moses, McNair and Higgins.

"The price tag on those six is \$500,000," replied Mack. Yawkey was merely playing poker with the venerable leader of the Athletics. He wants two or three of Mack's stars but hasn't yet come out in the open and said which ones they are. Jimmy Foxe, probably the player he wants most, Cramer, the classy outfielder, is another. Foxe and Cramer probably would bring \$250,000 in the open market.

YANKEES ALSO INTERESTED

The New York Yankees also are highly interested in Cramer, who may wind up being the most sought after player in the American League. Outfielder Ben Chapman is in bad with the Yankee Stadium fans and is likely to go elsewhere, probably to Washington or the Red Sox. Buddy Myer also has McCarthy's eye as a replacement for the aging Tony Lazzeri.

Cleveland still has its eye on catcher Eddie Hemsley of the St. Louis Browns. Many smart baseball men believe the Indians would have won the pennant last season if they had bought Hemsley when Rogers Hornsby offered him to them for about \$60,000. Hornsby, figuring the Browns are likely to go places this season, may raise the price on Hemsley if the Indians price him again.

Important changes are certain to be made in the Cardinals and Giants. Both teams are seeking new blood. The Giants especially grew very weary during September. Bill Terry wants to retire if he can get Rip Collins from the Cardinals or Dolf Camilli from the Phillies. The Cards continue to say that Collins is not for sale or trade, but the St. Louis policy

under Sam Brandon has been to sell anybody if the price was right. The Giants may make the price right.

Brooklyn is expected to make numerous changes. One report has it that Van Mungo, Dodgers' pitching ace, will go to the Cardinals in a surprise deal. The Cincinnati Reds will make an effort to get first baseman Sam Leslie and infielder Joe Stripp from Brooklyn.

The Boston Braves are expected to get considerable new capital in their reorganization plans and, if they do, will make an effort to rebuild the club by buying several outstanding players from other National League Clubs.

BILLIARDS

Local Championships
Being Organised

Billiards is one of the most popular local indoor pastimes, and the efforts of the newly formed Hongkong Amateur Billiards Association to promote organised competitions are meeting with the desired support.

Following closely upon the drafting of rules to govern the running of the association, the committee is now making every endeavour to organise an annual championship, both for senior and junior players. It is the intention of the organisers to promote the tournaments immediately after the festive holidays and, as has already been announced, entries will close on Friday next.

Those who intend competing are advised to obtain the necessary forms from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. N. M. Rakusen.

The Senior Championship will be open to all comers, while the Junior event will be confined to those players who have not made more than two breaks of over 60.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 13	Dec. 16
Paris	74.31/64	74.33/64
Geneva	45.18	15.18 1/2
Belin	12.24	12.25
Athens	210	210
Shanghai	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
New York	4.92 13/16	4.92 1/2
Amsterdam	7.27	7.27 1/2
Vienna	26 1/2	26 1/2
Brussels	118 1/2	118 1/2
Madrid	35.31/32	35.31/32
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong	1/3 1/2	1/3 1/2
Brussels	29.21	29.22
Monte Video	39 1/2	39 1/2
Belgrade	21 1/2	21 1/2
Yokohama	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
Helsingfors	22 1/2	22 1/2
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Buenos Aires	15	15
Oslo	20.7/16	20
Silver (Spot)	106 1/2	105 1/2
Silver forward	106 1/2	105 1/2
War Loan	106 1/2	105 1/2

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ROBBERY REPORT

WOMAN ATTACKED NEAR
GARDEN ROAD

A highway robbery with violence was reported to the Police last night by Ching Wai-chai, 34, spinster, who stated that whilst she was walking along Queen's Road Central, near Garden Road, at 8.35 p.m., she was robbed of a gold finger ring worth \$10 and a chromium wrist watch.

In her report to the Police, the woman stated that two persons committed the robbery. One was a man dressed in a long Chinese coat, and the other a woman with bobbed hair. She said that after the robbery, the man and woman ran off in the direction of Wanchai.

A description of the two persons has been given to the Police.

F. A. Cup
Draw
Analysed

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On the whole that draw is barren of the customary number of "hot" ties, and it seems we shall have to wait until the fourth round draw to get some thrilling and highly speculative encounters.

Manchester City v. Portsmouth.
Everton v. Preston.
Bradford City v. Bournemouth.
Crewe v. Sheffield Wednesday.
Tottenham Hotspur v. Southend.
West Ham v. Luton.
Liverpool v. Swansea.
Orient v. Charlton.
Norwich v. Chelsea.
Derby v. Dartford.
Hull v. Hartlepool v. Grimsby.
Middlesbrough v. Southampton.
Stockport v. Plymouth.
Wolverhampton v. Leeds.
Leicester v. Brentford.
Chester v. Reading v. Manchester United.

Chesterfield v. Walsall v. Newcastle.
Notts County v. Tranmere.
Doncaster v. Notts Forest.
Oldham v. Bristol Rovers v. Arsenal.
Aston Villa v. Huddersfield.
Burnley v. Sheffield United.
Sunderland v. Port Vale.
Fulham v. Scarborough or Brighton.
Millwall v. Stoke.
Darlington v. Bury.
West Bromwich v. Hull.
Southall v. Rotherham or Watford.
Bradford v. Workington.
Barnsley v. Birmingham.
Blackburn v. Bolton.
Blackpool v. Margate.—Reuter.

SERVICES GOLF CONTEST

EX-SERVICES DEFEAT THE
COMBINED SERVICES

The following is the result of the golf match played at Fanling on Sunday between the Ex-Services and Combined Services, the former winning by 17 points to 7.

	Points.	Ex-Ser. Services
Singles		
A. E. Lissaman v. Major Shannon 1 up	1	1
D. S. Edward v. Col. Blake 2 & 1	1	1
R. Young v. Lt. Comdr. Broome 1 up	1	1
D. Newton v. Capt. Trimble 1 up	1	1
E. J. R. Mitchell v. Capt. Mitchell 3 & 1	1	1
D. R. Walker v. Comdr. Breaks 2 up	1	1
W. J. S. Key v. Lt. Comdr. Barry 3 & 1	1	1
D. W. McEwen v. Capt. Law, R. N. Law 3 & 1	1	1
A. Sommerfelt v. Lt. Col. Williamson 1 up	1	1
G. Marselle v. Major Wren 4 & 2	1	1
D. Fraser v. Comdr. Haines 3 & 2	1	1
Dr. Valentine v. Comdr. Husey 7 & 6	1	1
R. L. Moncrieff v. Lt. Pack-Berford 2 & 1	1	1
J. S. Dykes v. Lt. Kempthorne 1 up	1	1
R. K. Valentine v. Comdr. Rowland 7 & 5	1	1
R. S. Harrison v. Lt. Fraser 2 up	1	1
	11	6

FOUR BALLS

Lissaman & Edward v. Maj. Shannon & Col. Blake 1 up	1	1
Young & Newton v. Broome & Trimble 3 & 1	1	1
Mitchell & Walker v. Mitchell & Breaks 1 up	1	1
Key & McEwen v. Law & Barry 4 & 3	1	1
Sommerfelt & Marselle v. Williamson & Wren 4 & 3	1	1
Fraser & Valentine (D.J.) v. Haines & Husey 1 down	1	1
Moncrieff & Dykes v. Kempthorne & Pack-Berford 5 & 4	1	1
Valentine (R.K.) & Harrison v. Rowland & Fraser 7 & 5	1	1
	17	7

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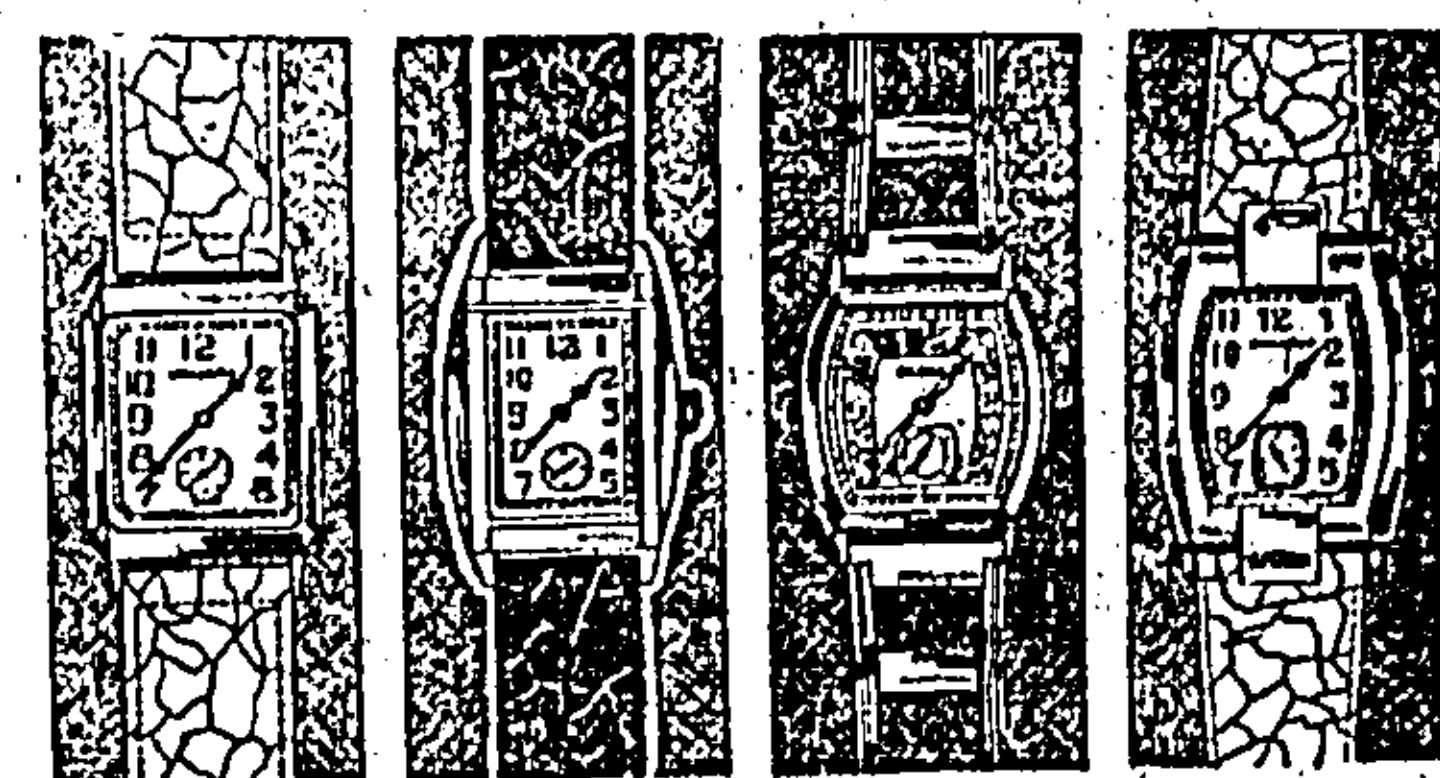
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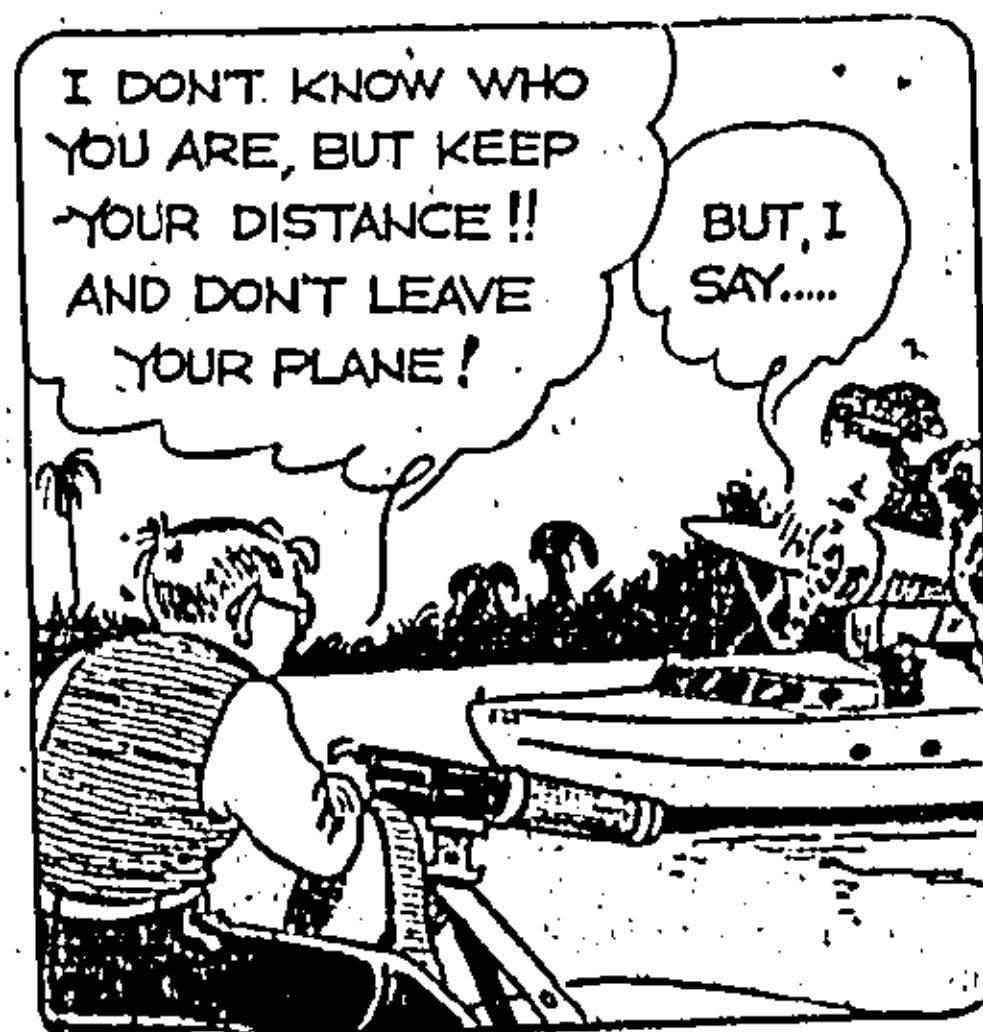
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DAMAGES AWARDED

HOARDING COLLAPSE LEADS TO COURT CLAIM

Sitting for the first time as Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden yesterday adjudicated on an unusual claim for damages arising from the fall of an advertisement hoarding.

Mr. Justice Hayden succeeded Mr. Justice L. E. Lindsell, who is Acting Chief Justice during the absence of Mr. Justice Lindsell.

Yesterday's claims were brought separately by Liu Hoi-nan and Lui Hoi-lan, two little sisters living at 733, Nathan Road, through Lui Pong-pun, the father as "next friend," and by the girls' amah Choi Sing-hing. The claims were for \$1,000 damages in respect of injuries received when a large hoarding at the junction of Nathan and Prince Edward Roads was blown down on them as they were passing along the pavement early on the morning of September 17.

Defendants were Millington, Ltd., of No. 5, Queen's Road Central, who were alleged negligently, and in breach of the duty, to have failed to keep the hoarding in a reasonable state of safety.

Kept in Hospital

Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for plaintiffs, and Mr. F. G. Nigel, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, represented defendants.

For the plaintiffs it was stated that the amah was taking the girls to school and they were passing in front of the hoarding when it toppled over on all three of them, causing various and severe injuries. The legal liability was admitted, and only the assessment of damages was now in dispute.

A police constable's report was handed to his Lordship together with a report from Messrs. Leigh and Orange, architects.

Mr. Hugh-Jones said the three plaintiffs were admitted to hospital immediately after the accident. The girl Lan was discharged after two days; her sister after 36 days; and the amah was still in hospital.

Evidence was given by Dr. G. H. Henry, Assistant Medical Officer at Kowloon Hospital.

He said the girl No was aged five years. She had a clean fracture of the left thigh which was set and mended satisfactorily. There was, however, a shortening of the leg by half an inch, but this might disappear as she grew older. There was no permanent injury.

Her sister Lan sustained of a pain at the back of her neck when she was brought in and there were abrasions on the head. She was kept in white x-ray photographs were taken, and was discharged as quite fit after three days.

Amah's Injuries

The amah's injuries were serious. She has a compound fracture of the

fibula and tibia at the ankle joint, and the tendons were exposed. She had a discoloured eye and a crack in one cheek bone. The foot would turn septic and at one time there was a grave fear that the foot would have to be amputated. The amah was under anaesthetic several times for operations and dressings, but the ankle was successfully drained and set. The foot was put in plaster and the amah was able to walk round the ward on December 3. She could have been discharged then, but said she had nowhere to go. It was thought that the setting was good, but he could not say whether or no there would be a permanent effect until the plaster was removed.

The hospital charge for the adult was 50 cents a day and for the children, 25 cents each per day.

Cross-examined, witness said the cheek injury was not serious. The amah could walk without a crutch and could go round the house easily, but she could not do her old job of taking children to school through the streets safely.

Mr. Hugh-Jones said the injury to Liu Hoi-nan was not serious, but was bound to shock such a young girl. The amah's wounds were very serious and had resulted in several operations and anaesthetics.

Evidence on Means

Mr. Nigel said that he had expected that evidence of the means and manner of livelihood of the plaintiffs would be called, as his Lordship could not assess the damages without such information.

The father was called to give evidence at his Lordship's suggestion. He said he was manager of the Fook Hing Ice Factory and earned \$20 a month. He had had the job since August. He denied that he told Miss Kelly, the manager of the defendant firm, that he had been out of work from May to September, but he had been off work for a total period of two years. His wife had a hair-dressing shop. The amah used to cost about \$10 a month in food and lodging and he used to pay her \$4. She also used to assist his wife in her business and had been with them for about a year.

Mr. Nigel submitted that on this evidence the claims for damages were grossly unreasonable. The father should not profit by the injury to his children. The idea in assessing damages was to give them back what had been lost and not to provide a dowry for the daughters. The claim for the amah, if allowed, would supply her with wages at the rate of \$4 a month for 250 months and make her an heiress.

Mr. Hugh-Jones said he would agree that the special damages should be the hospital expenses.

His Lordship gave judgment for Liu Hoi-nan, special damages of \$100; Lui Hoi-lan, special damages of 50 cents, general damages of \$20; Choi Sing-hing, special damages of \$45, general damages of \$300.

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Y.M.C.A. PANTOMIME

DICK WHITTINGTON AND HIS FAMOUS CAT

The Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club will present the grand Pantomime, "Dick Whittington and His Cat" in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon, at 9 p.m. this evening. The performance will be repeated on Thursday and Saturday nights and matinees will be given on Friday at 5.30 p.m. and on Saturday at 3.30 p.m.

Last night's dress rehearsal gave every promise of a bright show. The atmosphere has been localised and there are several modern songs, such as "Blue Moon," "I'm In the Mood for Love" and "The Lady in Red," all sung by Audrey Steel who appears in the title role of Dick Whittington, with Bob Selk as Tom, his cat.

Other leading character roles are taken by Norman Cooper, W. Robertson, Oscar Eager, William Simpson, Lillian St. Aubyn Sharpam and Donald K. Paul. Frank Angus, Dan Wilson, Reggie Wood, Willie Forsyth, Bob Bates, Bill Muir, Frank Anslow, Sydney Tremlett, The Ingram, John Luke and Wilfred Chidlow are also in the cast.

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CINEMA NEWS NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

Rah! Rah! Team! Team! It isn't the hero making a touchdown. It isn't the hero swatting a home run. It's simply two gentlemen, who answer to the names of Arthur Johnston and Gus Kahn, who are their own very special type of team. And they get plenty of cheers, and fame, and glory. Johnston and Kahn are, what is known on Broadway and in Hollywood, as a song-writing team—and one of the few really crack teams now composing for motion pictures. Their latest efforts are in the Columbia film musical comedy, "The Girl Friend", showing at the Alhambra from Thursday. Ann Southern and Jack Haley are starred, with Roger Pryor featured. Between them they sing and dance the various numbers composed by Johnston and Kahn. Of the quartette of numbers written, "Two Together" will undoubtedly sweep the country because of its romantic appeal. Comedy lovers will enjoy the humour of "What Is This Power," "Napoleon's Exile" and "Welcome to Napoleon." Johnston is responsible for the music of such hits as "Just One More Chance," "Learn to Croon," and "Cocktails for Two." Kahn has written the lyrics for many hits, including the sensational "One Night of Love," "Love Me Forever" and "Carolina."

"People Will Talk"

"People Will Talk," which is the next attraction at the Queen's Theatre, brings Charlie Ruggles and Mary Boland back to the screen in one of the pleasantest and funniest pictures they've ever made—a picture that runs the whole gamut of laughter from out-and-out burlesque to subtle and amusing farce. Set in a suburban community, "People Will Talk" tells of Ruggles and Miss Boland's attempt to straighten out the marital affairs of their daughter and son-in-law by staging a mock battle royal themselves, with the idea of showing the younger couple how silly it all is. But Miss Boland forgets it's all in fun and begins resenting her husband's enthusiasm for his new role and trouble begins. It swells when neighbours misinterpret Ruggles' perfectly innocent friendship with another woman, and it reaches a climax at a wrestling bout where Charlie, as a referee, gets into a terrific jam. Order is finally restored after a near-riot and fake kidnapping, but at that time there are more audiences laughing and up than on a picture in many a month. Miss Boland and Ruggles are, of course, superb. Leila Hyams plays the daughter with grace and good humour and Dean Jagger gives a grand performance as the son-in-law.

"Diamond Jim"

"Diamond Jim," the glittering screen play based on the life of James Buchanan Brady, first of the super-salesmen, the man who made the gay "nineties" gay, will open on Wednesday at the King's Theatre. "Diamond Jim" is the man who won \$2,000,000 in jewels, who offered Lillian Russell \$1,000,000 to marry him, who made a fortune of \$12,000,000 from a start of \$91, and who gave millions to charity and friends and steel cars to America. You'll see Edward Arnold, of "Sadie McKee" fame, as "Diamond Jim," Jean Arthur, beautiful Binnie Barnes as "Lillian Russell," Cesar Romero, Hugh O'Connell, George Sidney, Eric Blone, Robert McWade and a host of others including Bill Heilbrunn as John L. Sullivan. Directed by Edward Sutherland from the best seller by Parker Morell, you'll never be more thrilled than you are by the magnificence of "Diamond Jim." You cannot afford to miss this all-important production.

"Countess of Monte Cristo"

In "The Countess of Monte Cristo," now at the Star Theatre, Paul Lukas appears in the featured male lead opposite lovely Fay Wray as a suave, continental gentleman "crook." It is a part especially suited to his debonair manner. It is Lukas' conten-

tion that an actor, in order to be good, does not have to submerge his own personality in favour of the character he is enacting. If that were so, he claims, every actor playing "Hamlet" for example, would play it in the same way. Fortunately, however, they do not, avers Lukas, and that is why we have outstanding and other kinds of performances. Since he was a child, back in Hungary, Lukas was intensely interested in the drama. He has played every conceivable character in the works of Shakespeare, Ibsen, George Bernard Shaw, Oscar Wilde, Molier and Galsworthy. It was inevitable he should finally reach the screen and carve a permanent niche there for himself.

"Death Flies East"

Hollywood has turned the tables on traditional murder-mystery film action. This revolutionary stop forward was accomplished in the production of Columbia's "Death Flies East," showing at the Alhambra next Tuesday. In this exciting mystery thriller by Philip Wylie the detective is murdered—and the suspects clear the crime. Detectives—on the screen at least—usually lead charmed lives. But in "Death Flies East" the fat-footed sleuth is poisoned at the transcontinental air liner hurtles through the night. The other nine passengers immediately set their wits to work without benefit of police investigation, to clear up the crime. One of them finally solves the mystery, but not before Dallas police and officials have planned the death of innocent Florence Rice, the beautiful leading lady, playing an ex-convict who violated her parole by leaving California. Fred Kelsey, who has been seen in hundreds of motion pictures since he began his screen career twenty-five years ago, enacts the role of the murdered detective as Conrad Nagel, long-time screen favourite is seen as a mysterious figure headed for Washington with secret government documents. The balance of the cast includes Purnell Pratt, Raymond Walburn, Irene Franklin, Robert Allen, Oscar Apfel and Geneva Mitchell. Phil Rosen directed.

"Big Broadcast of 1936"

Bill Robinson, famous negro tap dancer, won a new hat as a result of a bet with Jack Oakie during the filming of the Paramount musical comedy, "The Big Broadcast of 1936," now at the Queen's Theatre. The comedian bet Robinson he couldn't dance for one hour straight without repeating a routine. Robinson, who gets several thousand dollars for a single performance, danced for one hour with Oakie as his one man audience. After he won the bet, Oakie discovered that Robinson had danced an hour and fifteen minutes with Harriet Hoctor without repeating a step at a Dancin' Masters' Contest at New York. Oakie is featured in "The Big Broadcast of 1936," along with Burns and Allen, Lyda Roberti, Wendy Barrie, Henry Wadsworth and the Nicholas Brothers. Robinson does a specialty number in the film as do many other famous names and radio stars, including Bing Crosby, Ames 'n' Andy, Ethel Merman, Ray Noble and his band, Mary Boland and Charlie Ruggles and so many others. The story is a mirth-making concoction of the adventures of two radio entertainers as guest prisoners in a rich "Countess" home on a Cuban island. An international radio broadcasting contest is one of the many hilarious high spots in the comedy.

"Redheads on Parade"

Jesse "L. Lasky" extravaganza of gorgeous girls and tuneful hits, "Redheads on Parade," now at the King's Theatre, brings lovely Dixie Lee to the screen to resume her starring career with her first singing and dancing role in years. A few years ago, Miss Lee was gaining a foothold in motion pictures at Fox Film when she deserted the screen to become Mrs. Bing Crosby. Now she returns as the flaming redhead romance lead in this gay musical show dedicated to America's titian-tressed ladies. Miss Lee's voice, which showed great promise in her former screen efforts, has been trained through the period of retirement, so that her present rhythm and warmth makes her one of the screen's leading songstresses. Coupled with John Boles in the romantic leads of "Redheads on Parade," Miss Lee does the choruses of the three Jay Gorney-Don Hartman tunes especially written for the picture. Forty-eight red-headed beauties, one from each State, are prominently featured in the spectacular Larry Ceballos routines.

CORRESPONDENCE New Territories Medical Needs

(To The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir—As one who has visited the St. John Ambulance Clinics in the New Territories—centres of healing scattered far and wide—where St. John nurses minister to sick poor, and where prior to their advent little medical help was available, it comes as a great shock to hear that there are rumours that a number of these bright spots may have to be closed owing to the business depression and the lack of adequate financial support. Such an eventually would inflict untold hardship on expectant mothers and ailing children who have relied on a St. John doctor or nurse to bring comfort and relief to villagers resident in isolated and almost inaccessible places.

These nurses frequently have to spend a night in a shack, reached perhaps by sampan and after many weary miles of trudging, where by the feeble and flickering light of a small oil lamp they have tended to the young mother, the passing adult or the fever-stricken child.

It cannot be denied that these villagers are equally deserving of medical and nursing assistance as their more fortunate nationals in Hongkong and Kowloon where hospitals, dispensaries, and welfare centres are easy of access and at the door.

It appears that in spite of the many calls made on the members of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade—street vaccinations, street duties, accidents, attendance at Races, Football Matches, Fires, personal and material assistance to other charitable organisations (I understand that on four occasions within a month Flower baskets and Collecting Tins have been loaned) admitting free of charge to the Ilaw Far Hospital at Cheung Chau tubercular children from Hongkong, that this organisation which is part and parcel of the Venerable Order of St. John of Jerusalem and the senior British Red Cross Organisation should find itself through inadequate public financial support unable to maintain the principles of the motto of the Order—For the sake of Humanity.

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Sleet and Snow

London, Dec. 16. Blizzards swept Scotland and Wales yesterday, and there were considerable falls of snow in the Midlands. Some snow-fall in London which turned later to rain and sleet. Late last night there was a sharp frost and the icy surfaces of roads were the cause of many accidents. Electrical railway services were to some extent delayed owing to ice forming on the live rail.—*British Wireless.*

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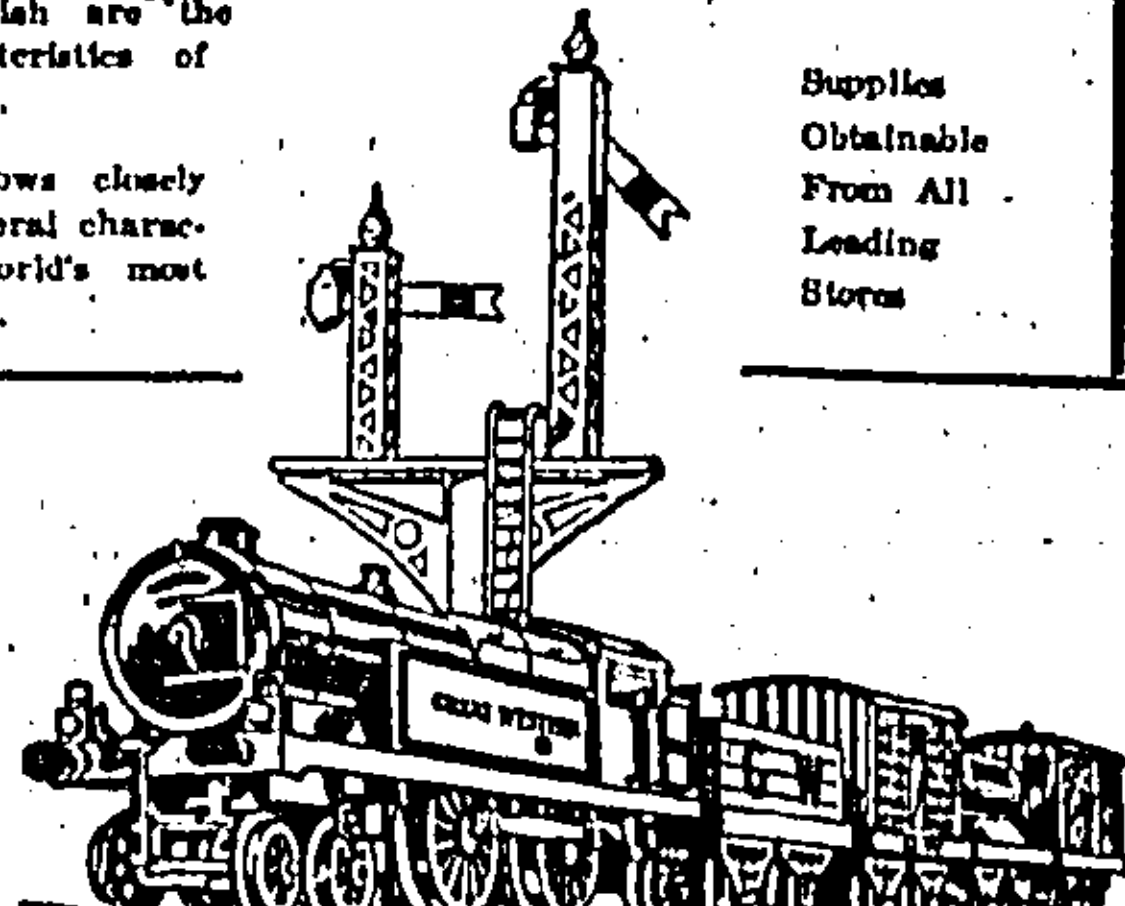
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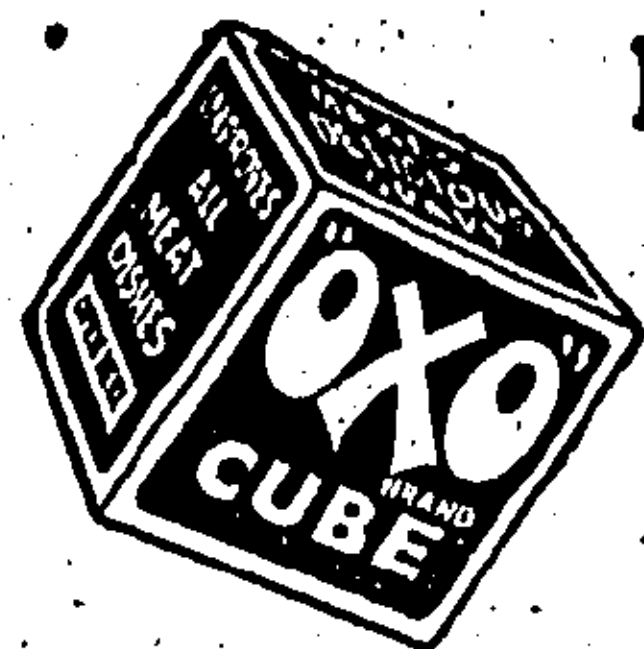
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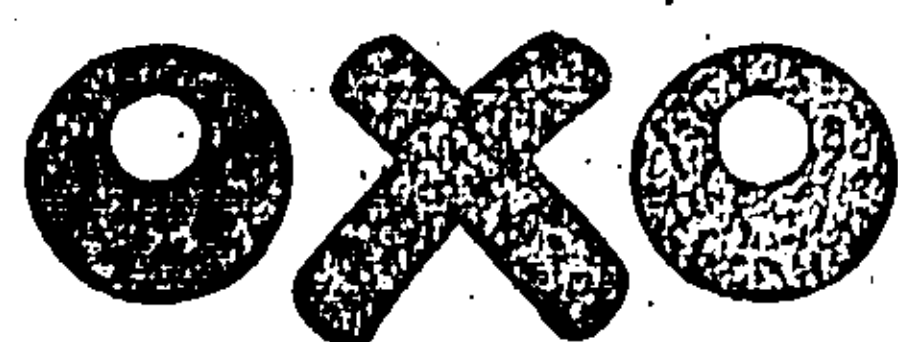
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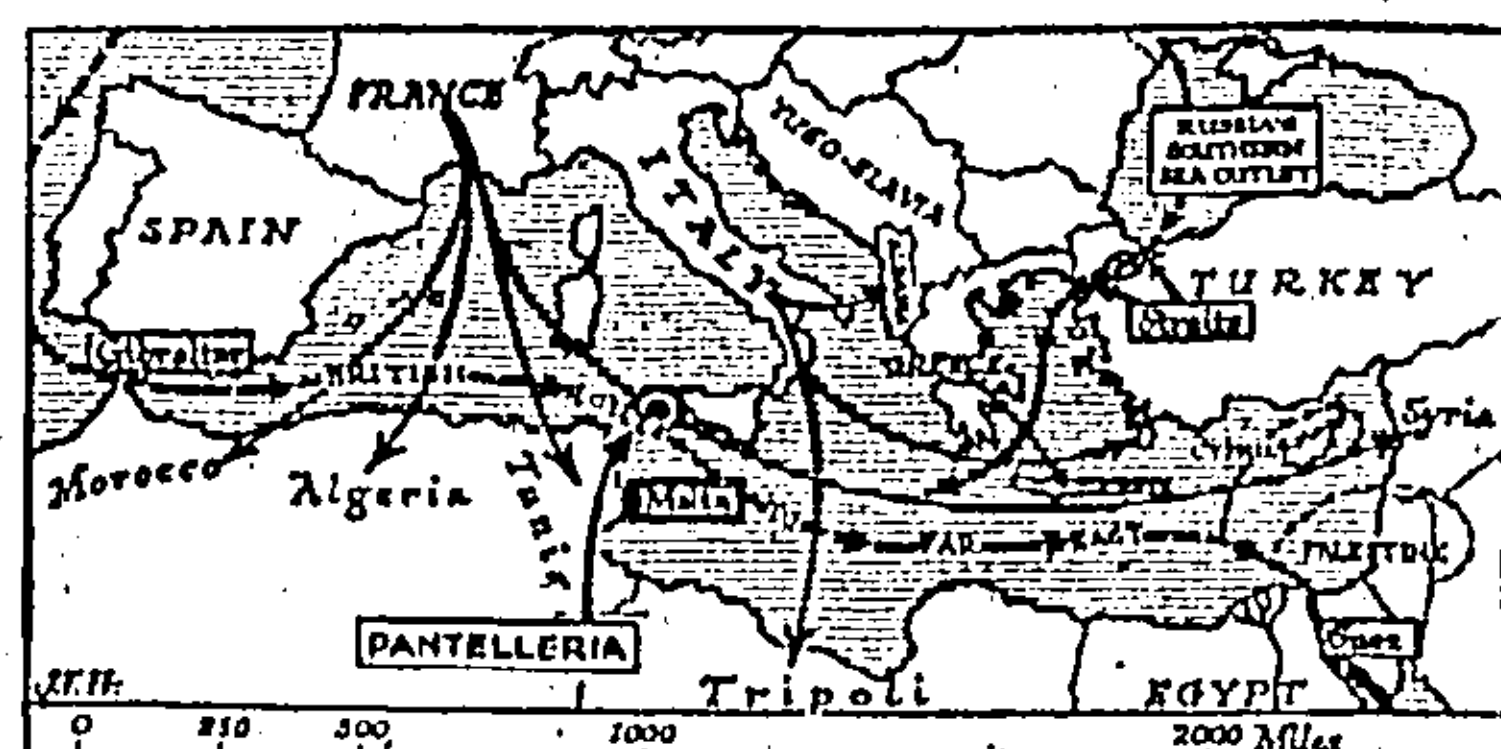
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SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT

BANK CREDITORS APPROVE

The scheme of arrangement drawn up recently in connection with the voluntary liquidation of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, Ltd., was placed before the creditors at a meeting yesterday morning, and approved by an overwhelming vote. In the afternoon, it was confirmed by the shareholders.

Addressing the creditors, the Chairman said: This is a meeting of the unsecured creditors of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, Limited, convened pursuant to an order of the Court to consider with or without modification a scheme of arrangement proposed to be made between the unsecured creditors and members of the Bank.

The Bank was incorporated on the 5th day of November, 1921, with a nominal capital of \$2,000,000. The capital was fully subscribed by 1923 and by a special resolution of the Bank in February, 1924, the capital of the Bank was increased to \$5,000,000. The present issued capital of the Bank is \$2,574,100.

In the first year of the Bank's business, the deposits amounted to only \$1,000,000 but the business of the Bank continued to expand and at one time, the deposits amounted to over the sum of \$10,000,000. At the end of December, 1934, the deposits with the Bank on saving and other accounts, came to over \$7,000,000.

With the exception of the year 1924, the Bank had, since its incorporation, been paying a regular dividend of 7 per cent. on its paid-up capital. The following is a table showing the amounts written off yearly and the net profits made:

Year	Amount Written Off	Net Profits
1922	\$ 6,721.08	\$115,090.79
1923	27,778.37	138,454.35
1924	22,481.07	250,531.52
1925	65,997.20	154,231.40
1926	33,897.41	240,781.46
1927	64,000.00	254,028.17
1928	154,761.72	154,606.81
1929	77,364.83	267,736.34
1930	65,911.41	170,413.25
1931	163,639.32	188,409.91
1932	108,096.17	144,394.50
1933	62,263.52	258,985.92
1934	1,513.23	70,713.73

The total sum of \$10,000,000 was transferred to the reserve fund, as to \$2,000,000 for property reserve, \$1,000,000 for general reserve and \$2,000,000 for reserve against loans and overdrafts.

Position at End of 1934

Assets	
Cash in hand at Bank	\$ 1,031,393.71
Loans and overdrafts	4,939,195.30
Less reserve	92,200.18
Bills receivable	92,200.18
Accounts receivable and recoverable charges	497,375.60
Furniture and fixtures	40,897.71
Property (including vault)	2,127,610.76
Investments	637,412.73
Branches and Agencies	2,896,743.31
B & A notes expenses, branches	32,919.01
Surplus account	519,374.49
Customers' acceptance	270,839.91
	\$13,086,023.61

Liabilities	
Capital issued	\$ 2,574,100.00
Reserve	300,000.00
Notes in circulation	14,285.41
Deposits	7,103,917.34
Unpaid dividends	24,846.25
Unpaid bonuses	1,411.58
Branches and Agencies	2,628,719.81
Drafts payable	28,836.91
Accounts payable	4,729.53
Customers' acceptance	270,839.91
Profit & Loss Account	80,264.23
	\$13,086,023.61

The Bank in the course of its business established branches at Shanghai, Tientsin, Hankow and Canton.

The Bank in common with other business concerns was affected by the general depression, and the reduction of profits in the year 1934. The business of the Bank was further seriously affected in 1935 by the sudden closing down of two banks in Hongkong, the first being the Ka Wah Savings Bank, Limited, on the 4th day of January 1935, and the second being the Bank of Canton, Limited, on the 4th day of September, 1935.

When the Ka Wah Savings Bank closed its doors, a heavy run was made on the Bank and its branches, and a total sum of \$1,222,000 made up as follows:

Hongkong	\$ 686,000
Canton	428,000
Shanghai	108,000
Total	\$1,222,000

Previous Storm Weathered

The Bank managed to weather the storm on that occasion due to the foresight of the Directors in keeping such large sums of liquid cash in hand. Hardly had the confidence of the public been restored, the Bank of Canton, Limited, suddenly had its doors closed on the 4th September, 1935. Another heavy run was made on the Bank and its branches, the total sum paid out during the 10 days of the run amounted to \$1,318,000 made up as follows:

Hongkong	\$ 701,000
Shanghai	378,000

Canton	100,000
Tientsin	63,000
Hankow	10,000
Total	\$1,318,000

During the year 1935, the Bank had to pay out the total sum of over \$2,400,000 and in the meantime the Bank tried to collect in the loans and overdrafts but only succeeded in getting in a sum of about \$600,000.

On the 16th day of September, 1935, that is the date when the Bank closed its doors, the amount of loans and overdrafts granted to customers and less reserve stood at the figure of \$4,429,550.51 made up as follows:

Hongkong	\$1,719,028.37
Shanghai	1,123,801.63
Canton	489,424.22
Tientsin	490,380.83
Hankow	293,905.46
Total	\$4,429,550.51

Of this sum of \$4,429,550.51, the sum of \$2,710,422.14 represents loans situated outside the Colony of Hongkong. This figure represents absolutely frozen assets and the Bank could not make use of the same in order to get in any liquid cash to meet its emergency inasmuch as in accordance with Chinese Law, it will have to take at least one to two months before any mortgaged deed can be finally put through for redemption of any of such assets.

Sums Raised

The Directors of the Bank	
their very best to raise funds	
meet the withdrawals. They	
themselves advanced a sum of \$172,	
without any security and a total	
of \$85,000 against securities.	
sums raised by the Directors du-	
ring the 10 days of the run excluding	
the monies raised by the branch of-	
fices amounted to \$885,000 made up	
as follows:	
Shanghai Branch	\$ 30,000
Chartered Bank	221,000
Hongkong Bank	169,000
Bank of China	48,000
Directors and Shareholders	257,000
Loans recalled	85,000
Sale of investments	75,000
	<hr/>
	\$885,000

By the 16th day of September, 1935, it became apparent that the run on the Bank would not stop and a sum of not less than \$1,200,000 was still required if the run was to be kept under control.

The Directors of the Bank were not possible for the Directors to raise this sum without unwarrantable sacrifices of assets of the Bank and the Directors had no alternative but to decide that further payment should be stopped and this step was taken only after the Directors had deliberated the matter at conferences from 3 p.m. on Saturday, the 14th September, 1935, to 2 p.m. on Sunday, the 15th September, 1935, and on Monday, the 16th September, 1935.

Voluntary Winding-Up

An extraordinary meeting of the members of the Bank was held on the 28th day of September, 1935, and an extraordinary resolution was duly passed for the voluntary winding-up of the Bank and the appointment of Messrs. Philip Gockchin, Lo Chung-wan and Mann K. Wong as Liquidators. A meeting of the creditors of the Bank was also held on the 28th September, 1935, pursuant to Section 227 of the Companies Ordinance at which meeting the appointment of the Liquidators was confirmed by the creditors.

The following statement of affairs was made before the creditors at their meeting:

Cash in hand	\$ 140,150.29
Loans and overdrafts	4,429,550.51
Branches and Agencies	713,240.50
Investments	461,855.46
Property	2,131,757.16
Loss	195,441.70
Total	\$8,271,227.22

The Bank has substantial assets and is in a position to pay all the creditors in full but time must be given to the Liquidators of the Bank to liquidate its assets before a dividend can be paid. Any rapid and expeditious liquidation of the Bank means the immediate realization of the assets. By dumping all the properties and investments into the market during the present depressed and uncertain conditions, it will mean that the disposal of such assets must be made at great sacrifices which will be greatly detrimental to the interests of creditors and shareholders alike and by this method of realization the creditors might not even get a 75 per cent. of their claims.

Liquidators' Statement

The Liquidators of the Bank have prepared a statement showing the approximate value of the assets on realization in relation to the liabilities of the Bank if there were to be a forced liquidation, and the unwarrantable sacrifices of assets, which statement is as follows:

The gross book value of the	
comes to \$7,397,973.94, being	
Cash in bank\$ 7
Cash in hand 7
Fixture and furniture 41
Investments 41
Loans and mortgages 4,42
Properties 2,11
Bill of exchange, &c. 21

The estimated value of the assets on forced realization will come to about \$4,005,510.35 as follows:

Cash in hand	\$ 140,150.29
Loans and overdrafts	4,429,550.51
Branches and Agencies	713,240.50
Investments	461,855.46
Property	2,131,757.16
Losses and mortgages	1,402,500.00
Bills of exchange, &c.	120,870.01
Total	\$4,005,510.35

This means an unwarrantable sacrifice of the assets to the extent

CHINA'S POLICE

BEING TRAINED AT MODERN ACADEMY

Berkeley, Cal. Dec. 16.

University of California graduates hope ultimately to train an elite of police force based in the city of Hangchow, and patterned after the officers of the Bureau of Investigation of the United States Department of Justice.

Already the nucleus of an efficient Chinese police force has been assembled in the Chekiang Police Officers' Academy in Hangchow.

The Dean of the faculties of the Academy is M. A. Feng, Frank Lee is Professor of Police Administration. Horine Hsiao is one of the Administrators. All are graduates of the University of California, Feng and Hsiao receiving masters' and Lee a doctor's degree. The head of the laboratory is Liang Fing, for many years the head of the laboratory of scientific detection in Lyons, France. The Academy, which now boasts 400 students, graduated its first class last year.

The laboratory, fingerprinting and filing systems of the Berkeley Police Department have been adopted by the Academy. The students, who must be high school graduates, come from many points in China. The Academy is semi-military in character, in that military tactics and drill are directed by Chinese army officers. But the military activities are merely fundamental to police work.

The Academy prepares considerable information on police affairs and activities which is distributed throughout the country. The Institute was founded by provincial officers under the direction of Frank Lee, one of the administrators mentioned. All of the administrators mentioned, with the exception of Fing, received their training under August Vollmer, Professor of Police Administration of the University of California.

A. F. Poon, at present a graduate student in Berkeley, is filling himself for an administrative position in the laboratory, which he expects to assume in a year or so. It is also hoped to have Professor Vollmer visit the Academy as soon as he can find it possible to do so.—United Press.

CHINA'S TRADE

UNFAVOURABLE BALANCE FOR TEN MONTHS

Shanghai, Dec. 15.

With imports valued at \$781,550,545 against exports of \$444,999,907, China's foreign trade for the last ten months, from January to October, ended with an unfavourable balance of \$336,550,638.

While the imports were reduced, an increase of \$3,134,145 was registered on the export side as compared with those of the corresponding period of last year.

It is estimated that the total unfavourable trade balance for this year will not exceed \$400,000,000. For the month of October alone, it is revealed that the imports and exports were \$401,175,738 and \$48,309,705 respectively, showing an unfavourable balance of \$12,776,033.—Union News.

KILLED BY ROCK

BELIEVED TO HAVE COME FROM HILLSIDE BLASTING

The hearing of an inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of a woman, Cheng Pat-har, who was killed on September 3 last, apparently by a piece of rock, from blasting operations on the hillside in King's Road, flying into No. 100 Electric Road, was concluded before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The jury, comprising Messrs. A. G. Safford (Foreman), U. M. Omar and Pun Tat-ming, returned a verdict of "accidental death." They were also of the opinion that the fracture of the woman's skull was caused by a stone found in the flat and they considered the stone came from blasting in the vicinity. But this was due to an accident.

Mr. A. H. McBride, engineer of the Public Works Department, deposed that blasting had been going on in King's Road since February last. On September 3 a big granite boulder was apparently being split. The precautions taken during blasting were adequate. Witness stated that he considered it would be extraordinary for a piece of rock, such as that exhibited in Court, to have flown a distance of nearly 170 yards even without blanketing the blast. The boulder that was blasted was of lighter colour and coarser grain than the piece exhibited in Court.

Witness explained that with boulders the surface may be decomposed but the heart did not very much. Witness added that up to September 3 there had been 20,000 blasts and only a few cases of minor damage, such as a broken window. He also explained that with deep blasts there were fewer fragments, and with dynamite blasts the rocks were cut very clean.

Acting Sub-Inspector C. S. Madgwick and Lance-Sergeant Cheung Wong gave formal evidence, after which Cheung Kwai, aged 45, foreman employed by the Sang Lee contractors, testified that on the day in question he put one stick of dynamite in each hole. There were 26 holes.

Scheme Approved

The creditors were then asked to vote, and those in favour of the proposed scheme represented claims of about \$1,452,000; while those against represented about \$33,000. The scheme was, in the afternoon, placed before the Bank's shareholders, and was confirmed by them.

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OLANDA ARRIVES IN H.K. ON A WORLD TOUR

The first private yacht which has visited the Colony for a considerable time arrived in Hongkong yesterday afternoon from Singapore.

It is owned by Mrs. Moses E. Taylor, of New York, who, accompanied by seven friends, is touring the world in her 728-ton vessel, the Iolanda.

Mrs. Taylor is the owner of a large estate in Rhode Island and her vessel flies the burgee of the New York Yacht Club. The present tour is not the first which the ship has made to the Far East, the first being in 1930. Mrs. Taylor is very fond of travel. On this occasion the cruise began at Southampton on October 21, calls being made at all the interesting ports between there and Hongkong.

The Iolanda probably will not proceed beyond Shanghai but will turn round there and follow the same route back to England as on her way out. Nothing is definitely fixed, however, Mrs. Taylor and her friends going wherever their whim takes them.

The Iolanda is a motor yacht painted white and is considered one of the finest vessels of her class afloat. She is commanded by Captain C. W. Fisher, an Englishman, and manned by an all-British crew numbering 66. Among her equipment are oil-driven engines giving a cruising speed of 12 knots, three fast motor boats to serve her passengers while in port, a high powered wireless set, and finely appointed accommodation.

The yacht was built, it is said, by an American millionaire for Princess Iolanda of Italy, though the Princess never sailed in it.

and each was two feet deep. The blasts were covered with four gunny bags and two steel wire frames. Witnesses had had twenty years experience in this type of work and had been connected with Sang Lee for the past seven years, and had never before had an accident.

Inspector Stewart Logan was present for the police.

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CRITICISM OF CABINET NOW MODERATING

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

(By Telegraph. Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received, Dec. 17, 1.30 p.m.)

Paris, Dec. 17.
M. Pierre Laval, the Prime Minister of France, who is generally held primarily responsible for the Franco-British peace formula which Geneva and the Italian and Ethiopian Governments are now considering, is angry at the London rumours that he tricked Sir Samuel Hoare, the British Foreign Secretary, into agreeing with the Paris peace plan.
M. Laval will make a heated denial of these rumours in the Chamber of Deputies at the earliest opportunity.
The London reports were to the effect that M. Laval won Sir Samuel Hoare's assent to the peace scheme by means of two false statements. The first of these alleged statements was that, as the spokesman for Signor Benito Mussolini, he was authorised to say that an oil embargo declared by the League of Nations would mean war.
In the second place, he is said to have told Sir Samuel that the French fleet was not ready to meet a submarine attack, and hence the League's defence in the Mediterranean must be borne by Britain alone.—United Press.

TO FACE CRITICS.

Paris, Dec. 17.
M. Pierre Laval faces possible attacks at today's Cabinet meeting, when M. Herriot, radical supporter of the Government, may question him on the Paris peace plans. Fireworks may be avoided, however, for M. Laval will probably say he merely drafted the suggestions in the interests of peace, preparing a plan which could either be accepted, rejected or revised.
To-morrow he will face a second barrage when Austria, Denmark, Yugoslavia, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Greece and Turkey will speak in opposition to the peace plan at Geneva.
Reliable circles predict that there will be a majority against the plan if it goes to a decision vote before the League members.—United Press.

RUMOURS DISCREDITED

London, Dec. 16.
Rumours that Sir Samuel Hoare will resign are now much discredited in responsible Parliamentary circles. Any repudiation of Sir Samuel by the Cabinet is considered out of the question. On the contrary, it is believed that if necessary Mr. Baldwin will vigorously defend Sir Samuel's actions.
Meanwhile, there is a tendency towards a less critical attitude where the Government's actions are concerned, as it is believed the House of Commons will be told on Thursday that Italy intended to treat all sanctions as an act of war and that the Government was not satisfied that the necessary collective action to support the League policy was forthcoming.
It is pointed out that Great Britain never pledged herself to anything more than collective action and if the Ministers were not satisfied with regard to its availability with respect to oil sanctions, they were entitled to take what they considered the next best step, namely, to make a supreme effort at conciliation.

CRISIS TALE DISCOUNTED

The current stories of a crisis in the British Cabinet consequent on the Government's approval of the Paris peace terms, are being discounted, pending an explanation of the situation to the House of Commons on Thursday.
Opinion among a large body of Government supporters is still frankly hostile to the proposed peace formula; but there is an underlying confidence that Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, had some good reasons for his apparently enigmatic action.
Much consequently depends upon the extent to which Mr. Baldwin can disclose the Government's motives which prompted the backing of the Paris plan. Sir Samuel Hoare will have to be very explicit if he is the first Government spokesman, for many consider he is a sick man and that his illness made him more easily persuaded at Paris, and that Mr. (Continued on Page 14.)



Egyptian police are here seen assembled in one of the main streets of Cairo after having dispersed riotous students.

MODIFIED FORMULA SOUGHT

ITALIAN REQUEST MADE TO PARIS

WON'T GIVE UP ASSAB

Paris, Dec. 16.
It is believed that the Italian Ambassador here, Signor Cecchi, has informed M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, that there are four points on which Signor Mussolini wants modification of the peace proposal.
Signor Mussolini declares, first, that Assab should belong to Italy.
Secondly, he says that control of Assab must remain with Italy, with Ethiopia being given shipping rights there.
Thirdly, all foreign concessions must be annulled in the region set aside for Italian colonisation in South Ethiopia.
Fourthly, Italy must have full control of the policing of that region of colonisation.—Reuter.

WON'T ACCEPT PEACE PLAN

Emperor Selassie's Statement

(Special to "Telegraph")
Dessaye, Dec. 17.
Emperor Haile Selassie, personally commanding his black warriors in the campaign to defeat the Italian plan of invasion of Ethiopia, has issued a statement which unequivocally condemns the Paris peace plan.
Acceptance of the Anglo-French plan, he says, would be a betrayal of his people. Moreover, he adds, the people of the small states are, relying upon the League's security system for their continued safety.—United Press.

Relief Worker Kills Four

FOUR OTHERS BADLY WOUNDED

Los Angeles, Dec. 16.
Four relief workers were shot dead and four were seriously wounded in a sensational battle here to-day.
One of the workers, Charles Wayman, allegedly stood on a mound of earth and blazed away with a rifle at those about him, then dropped the rifle and ran away.
When police, armed with sawed-off shotguns, forced Wayman to surrender, he reportedly asserted: "I shot the others because they had been browbeating me."—Reuter.

ACTRESS' STRANGE DEATH

THELMA TODD DEAD IN MOTOR CAR

POPULAR IN COMEDIES

Hollywood, Dec. 16.
The film actress, Miss Thelma Todd, was found dead in a motor-car parked near her residence to-day.
Detectives who are investigating the case at present decline to make any statement on the matter.
MONOXIDE POISONING
It was later disclosed that Miss Todd's death is believed by police to have been due to carbon-monoxide poisoning.
Her body was found slumped over the steering-wheel of her car. Police believe she had been dead for two days.
A post mortem examination, according to the authorities, showed that the woman's blood contained an enormous proportion of monoxide.—Reuter.

Thelma Todd, formerly a school teacher, has been making pictures since 1929.
A blond, blue-eyed beauty, she had been one of the Hal Roach comedy stars for some years, and had won acclaim for her performance in "Gorilla" and with Laurel and Hardy in "Fra Diavolo".
With Zasu Pitts she made a number of short comedies which were commercially popular.
Miss Todd was one of the most charming of the young Hollywood actresses. She was unmarried.



Miss Thelma Todd, whose mysterious death has shocked Hollywood.

SERIOUS JAPANESE CONCERN

READY TO TAKE NEEDED ACTION

IF INTERESTS THREATENED

(Special to "Telegraph")
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Tokyo, Dec. 17.
An official statement from the Foreign Office said to-day that the Japanese Army was watching with serious concern the student rioting in North China.
Meanwhile, they were fully prepared to take whatever action was necessary in the event of the movement assuming proportions likely to threaten the safety of Japanese residents' properties or other interests. Although the present reports do not indicate that such expansion is likely.

STRONG JAPANESE PROTEST

Strict Censorship In North China

(Special to "Telegraph")
Peiping, Dec. 17.
Major Tan Takahashi, military attache of the Japanese Embassy, in Peiping, has lodged a strong protest to the Mayor of Peiping, in connection with yesterday's anti-Japanese demonstrations.
Major Takahashi recalled the promise given by the Chinese authorities after last week's demonstrations, that the Government would prevent recurrence of the anti-Japanese expressions on the part of students.
The Chinese papers' demonstration stories have been strictly censored and only the meagrest official communiques was published.—United Press.

in the near future, the Army realises that anything is possible.
In the event that the riots are of a spasmodic nature, and will soon subside, the Army will be little concerned. However, it believes danger lies in a continuation of disturbances, with the possibility of the lower class of the citizens joining and giving the events a menacing character.
Some individuals believe that certain cliques very close to the Kuomintang are participating, and possibly directing the student activities.—United Press.

NOT A GOOD START

Tokyo, Dec. 17.
The Osaka Asahi, in an editorial, says to-day that the new North China

PEIPING CROWDS CRY FOR WAR

"DOWN WITH JAPAN IMPERIALISM"

10,000 DEMONSTRATE IN OLD CAPITAL

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

(By Telegraph. Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received, Dec. 17, 8 a.m.)

Peiping, Dec. 17.
Ten thousand students, peasants and workers assembled at the Temple of Heaven last night and passed a resolution to attempt to organise and arm the masses of the Chinese people to fight against Japanese imperialism. That cry echoed in Peiping more than once last night: "Down with Japan Imperialism."
The mass meeting determined to ask the new Political Council of Hoped-Charhar why it was selling out the national interests.
The whole 10,000, in orderly ranks, shouting slogans, with banners flying, marched towards the Chienmen Gate, near the American Embassy, and there clashed with the police.
Five thousand of the marchers, divided into small groups, were finally permitted to enter the Tartar city.
Seven boys and four girls were treated for injuries following the brush with the police officers.
Old residents say that demonstration was the most orderly and patriotic in many years.

INVADERS' ENORMOUS OBSTACLES

ITALIAN SUCCESSES NOT IMPRESSIVE

RAINY SEASON DRAWS NEAR

London, Dec. 17.
"Do the realities of the military situation in Ethiopia justify the peace terms proposed?" asks the London Times in an editorial to-day.
It would hardly seem so, the paper answers its own question.
It is difficult to believe, the Times declares, that the situation is so favourable for the Italians as they imagined it would be when they were planning their campaign.
After ten weeks of strenuous effort, the Italians have gone a very little way towards solving the problems. The limited extent of their achievements has seriously diminished the prospects of adequate progress being made before the rains set in. The Times points out.
In the North, the paper goes on, they have not penetrated as far as did the small Italian force in 1895. In the south they had one significant success at Gorrhai; otherwise they have little to show.

HAVE SUFFERED HEAVILY

There is much evidence that they have suffered heavily through the excessive strain on supply along routes unfit for heavy traffic.
Clearly Marshal Badoglio has been shuffling the disposition of his troops, meanwhile intensifying his air activity. But when the advance is resumed, will it result in more than the gradual extension of the occupied territory and the greater extension of the invaders' difficulties?
When the rains descend, the Times points out, the difficulties of the invading army will be multiplied. Such considerations should not be overlooked by other countries when the peace proposals are being considered. Reuter.

Government has not made a good start, and that it is still under Nanking influence.
"Under such circumstances we must expect dangers, in the event of our attempting to negotiate in matters concerning North China. Nanking should avoid making this another Poling Political Council, which was a complete failure."—United Press.

It is reported here that Japanese officers laughed when the Tientsin and Tangku Peace Preservation Corps headquarters asked the Japanese military authorities to aid in evicting the "Autonomists" troops who had occupied Tangku.—United Press.

POLICE OPEN FIRE

Peiping, Dec. 17.
Five thousand students from universities and middle schools paraded Peiping's streets yesterday as a protest against the formation of the new Hoped-Charhar Council and the separation of this area from Nanking's control.
They urged armed resistance to Japanese aggression in North China.

They urged that the 29th Army resist the invaders, recalling that army's exploits in 1933 when the men had fought against the Japanese at Hsifengku with only broadswords as weapons.

STUDENTS' DEMANDS

Many columns of demonstrators converged on the Tientsin Bridge outside the Temple of Heaven, and en route one column was prevented from proceeding by police, who unmercifully beat a few students with bamboo sticks and swords, wounding between ten and fifteen.
When a fire-engine was brought up with a hose to turn on the marchers, the students set about it, smashing its windshield. Finally the students were allowed to proceed.

From Tientsin they began their return march in a long orderly column, six abreast. There were many girls among the marchers. All distributed handbills to the crowds.

NO ONE WOUNDED

None of the students at the Chienmen Gate were wounded by the volley fired by the police. The shots failed even to make the students flinch.

After three hours of standing at the gate, storming for a free passage, they were finally allowed to march off quietly to their universities.

Several girl students in the front ranks stood steadily and calmly when the police fired on them.

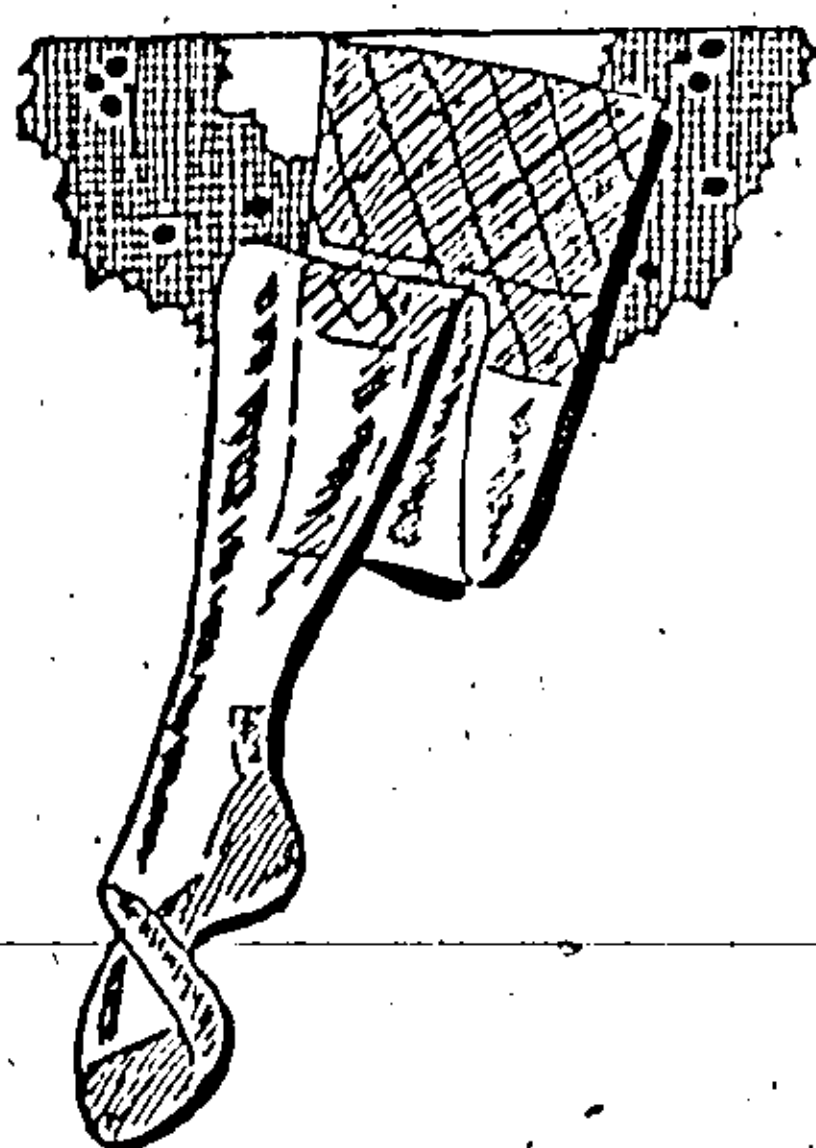
One of the demonstrators was an American youth, a student at one of the universities, and when correspondents talked with him he repeatedly referred to "our cause" and "we students".
A number of students from Yen Ching and Tsing Hua Universities who were refused admission at several gates, burst through the railway gate at the West Wall of the Chinese city in order to join their comrades inside.
Demonstrators had returned to their schools and universities at 4 (Continued on Page 14.)

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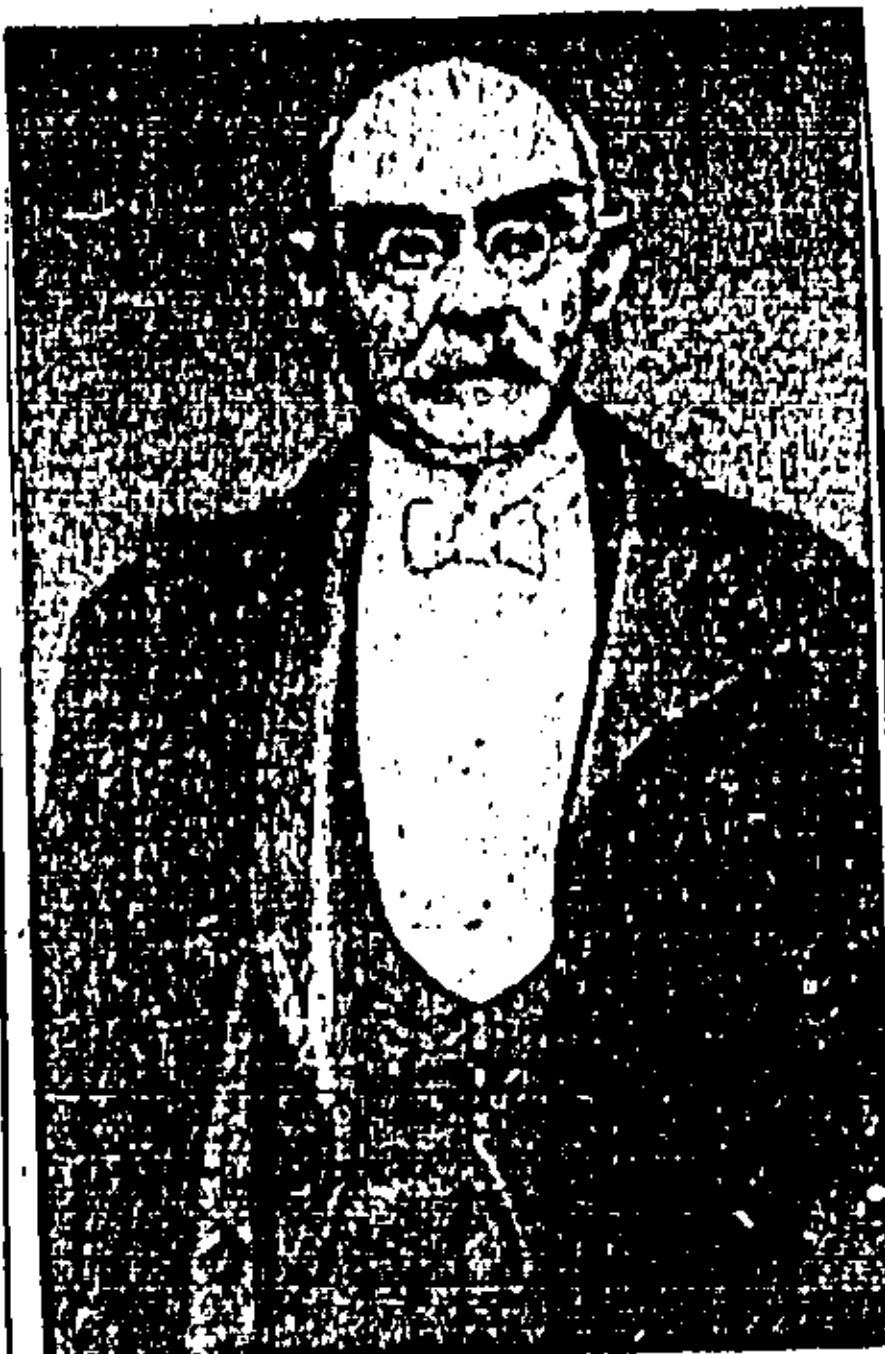
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RUSSIA'S NEW IDOLS

STALIN PROMISES COMFORT FOR ALL

Moscow, Dec. 12.
"Stakhanovism," the new movement to increase production, is sweeping Soviet Russia. It took its name from Alexei Stakhanov, an obscure young miner, who early in September managed to increase his output tenfold by keeping his pneumatic drill in uninterrupted operation throughout his six-hour shift.

Every industry now boasts its Stakhanovites and was represented at an enthusiastic three-day conference in the Kremlin which closed yesterday, with Stalin and other Government leaders participating.

BURST OF ENERGY
Stakhanovites are Russia's latest idols and the ambition to earn the title has become the desire of hundreds of thousands of workers.

This new wave of Labour enthusiasm is smashing production records in nearly every field of national economy.

New phenomenal records have been established in such widely diversified fields as metallurgy, textile manufacturing, coal-mining, machine-building and agriculture.

A country-wide outburst of energy, resulting in increasing productivity, has been released by the lure of public recognition and higher earnings.

REWARDS OF LABOUR
Stakhanovites, who are Russia's "Heroes of Labour," are for the moment eclipsing the fame of outstanding Soviet airmen, explorers, scientists and writers.

They receive awards, motor-cars, superior apartments and cash premiums.

With an increasing number of workers doubling and tripling what was until recently regarded as the normal output, optimism and unbounded confidence in a bright future of plenty are becoming widespread.

Addressing the delegates yesterday at the closing session of the conference at the Kremlin, Stalin promised a life of happiness and comfort for all the workers of Russia.

"Our programme has proved to be the correct one," he declared. "Life for us is growing easier and better day by day. Material comfort, joy and happiness has now become the keynote of Soviet life."

The Stakhanov movement, in the opinion of some, is not a mere passing fad. It is taking root in all industry.

Russia is on the way to become Europe's greatest economic power.

THE STORIES— Kipling, Dickens, Bennett THE STARS—

Robert Montgomery,
Jean Harlow,
Norma Shearer

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, one of the most important film-producing companies in America, will start to produce films in England early next year.

Mr. Ben Goetz arrives in London early this month to make the arrangements. Studios will be rented for a start, and after that M.G.M. will probably build their own.

Stories by Rudyard Kipling, James Hilton, Dickens and Arnold Bennett have been bought and help up in Hollywood, and they will be made in England, it is expected.

Stars like Robert Montgomery, Jean Harlow and Norma Shearer will probably be brought over.

Hollywood Burden
Mr. Sam Eckman jun., managing director of M.G.M. Pictures Ltd., said:

"The English studios will relieve some of the burden of Hollywood, which is turning out 40 to 50 pictures a year at an average cost of £100,000 a picture. It will be a good thing to have a spirit of competition between two studios in the same organisation."

"It is logical that we shall make English pictures in Hollywood. We shall probably make a start in London with a film of the play 'The Wind and the Rain,' with James Hilton's 'Goodbye, Mr. Chips,' and with a story of a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, originally called 'Manners Maketh The Man,' and written by John Monk Saunders."

"This last film has been renamed, 'A Yank at Oxford,' and it tells of a rough American who gradually is remade by the cultural associations of the University. Robert Montgomery was cast for the film and it is likely that he will go over to England to make it."

DEMANDS CLOTHES FOR NUDE STATUE

MODEL IS ANGRY

Pittsburgh, Dec. 1.
Henrietta Leaver of McKeesport, 1935 "Miss America," has demanded that a statue for which she posed in a bathing suit be given some covering.

She made her demand to Frank Vittor, Pittsburgh sculptor, who studied under Rodin and sculptured the heads of three presidents.

Miss Leaver and her grandmother, Mrs. Hettie Ebert, were angry when they viewed the statue.

It was nude.

Vittor tried to soothe them by saying that Miss Leaver was the nearest type of true American womanhood, and that he created the statue so that posterity might have an idea what the 1935 girls were like.

"After all," Vittor said, "you didn't pose in the nude and there is nothing to offend you."

But Miss America insisted the statue be draped. So did the grandmother.

Vittor finally decided to call in a jury of six artists. If they find the statue a work of art, it will remain undraped, according to Vittor.—United Press.



NORMA SHEARER
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"FLYING HOTELS" FOR INDIAN PRINCES

CRAZE BRINGS ORDERS TO BRITAIN

Air travel is the latest craze of wealthy Indian princes all over India.

The Maharajahs are getting more and more air-minded every day and orders for luxury planes are coming to Britain in large numbers.

The first of these orders comes from the Maharajah of Patiala, who has ordered a plane costing £10,000.

LAST WORD IN LUXURY

The Maharajah's plane will be, perhaps, the fastest machine to be owned by a private owner in India.

It will be the last word in luxury air liners. The cabin will be a lavishly-furnished lounge with sound-proof walls, and the colour scheme of its interior decoration will be carried out according to the special designs and plans of the Maharajah and the Maharane.

The most remarkable thing in the plane will be the skillfully concealed cocktail bar in which only the very rare and costly drinks will be offered to the lucky guests of the Maharajah.

Another wonderful piece of furniture will be the chessboard and table. The pieces are specially made for this plane. The white queen will be made of a solid diamond.

The plane will be largely at the disposal of the Maharajah, who has planned an all-India air pilgrimage. She is at present taking lessons and will be the first woman pilot in India.

BOY EXPLORERS FOR ARCTIC

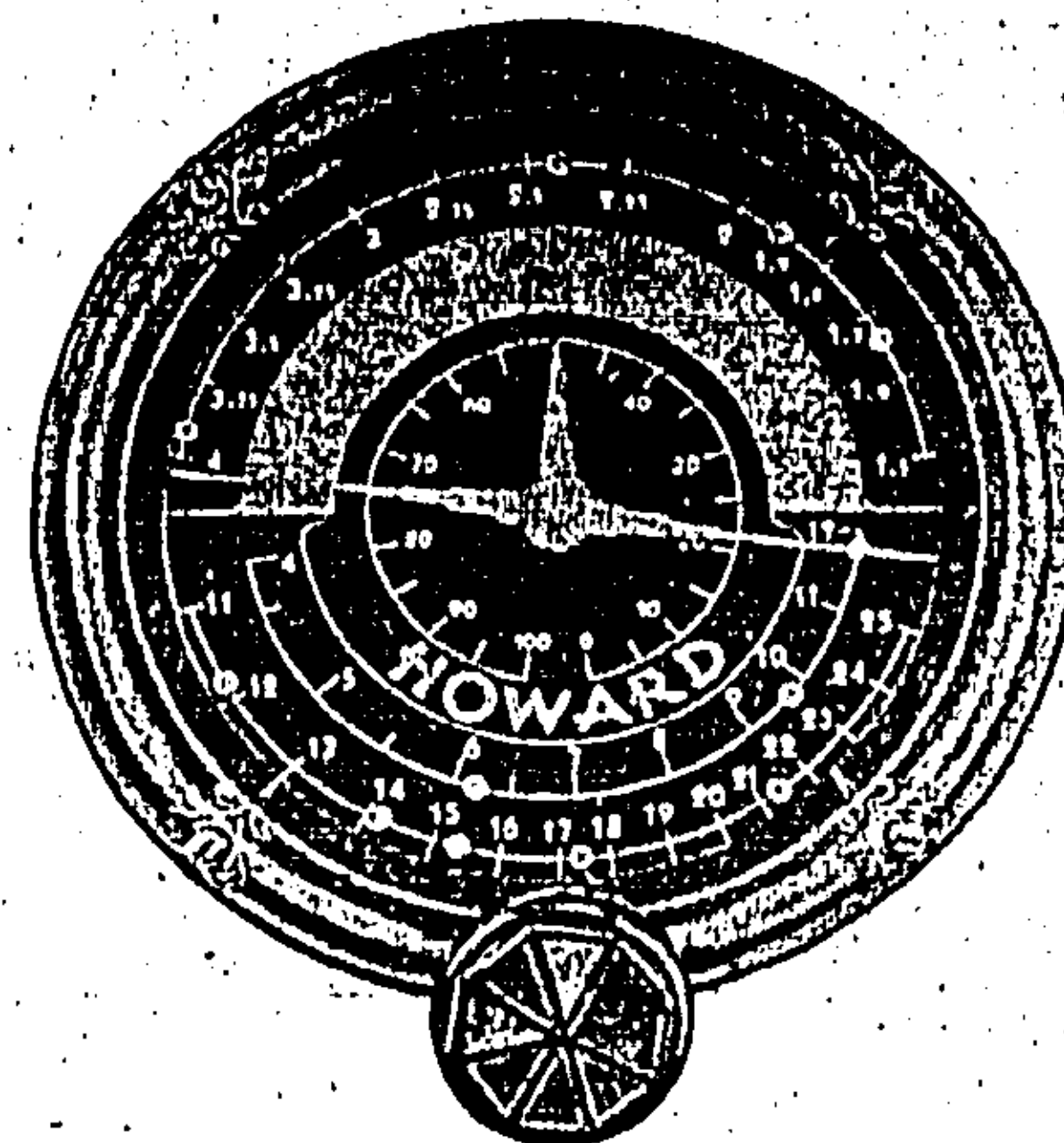
Arrangements are well in hand for two expeditions being organised by the Public Schools Exploring Society.

The senior expedition, for Public School boys from 17 to 19 years of age, is to visit Northern Lapland and the Arctic Coastal Region, and a junior expedition for boys from 15 to 17 will journey to South-east Lapland.

Surgeon-Commander Murray Leveik, R.N., will be in command.

"One of the objects of the Expedition," the *Sunday Chronicle* was told recently, is to obtain information about bird and insect life. The collections will be presented to the British Museum."

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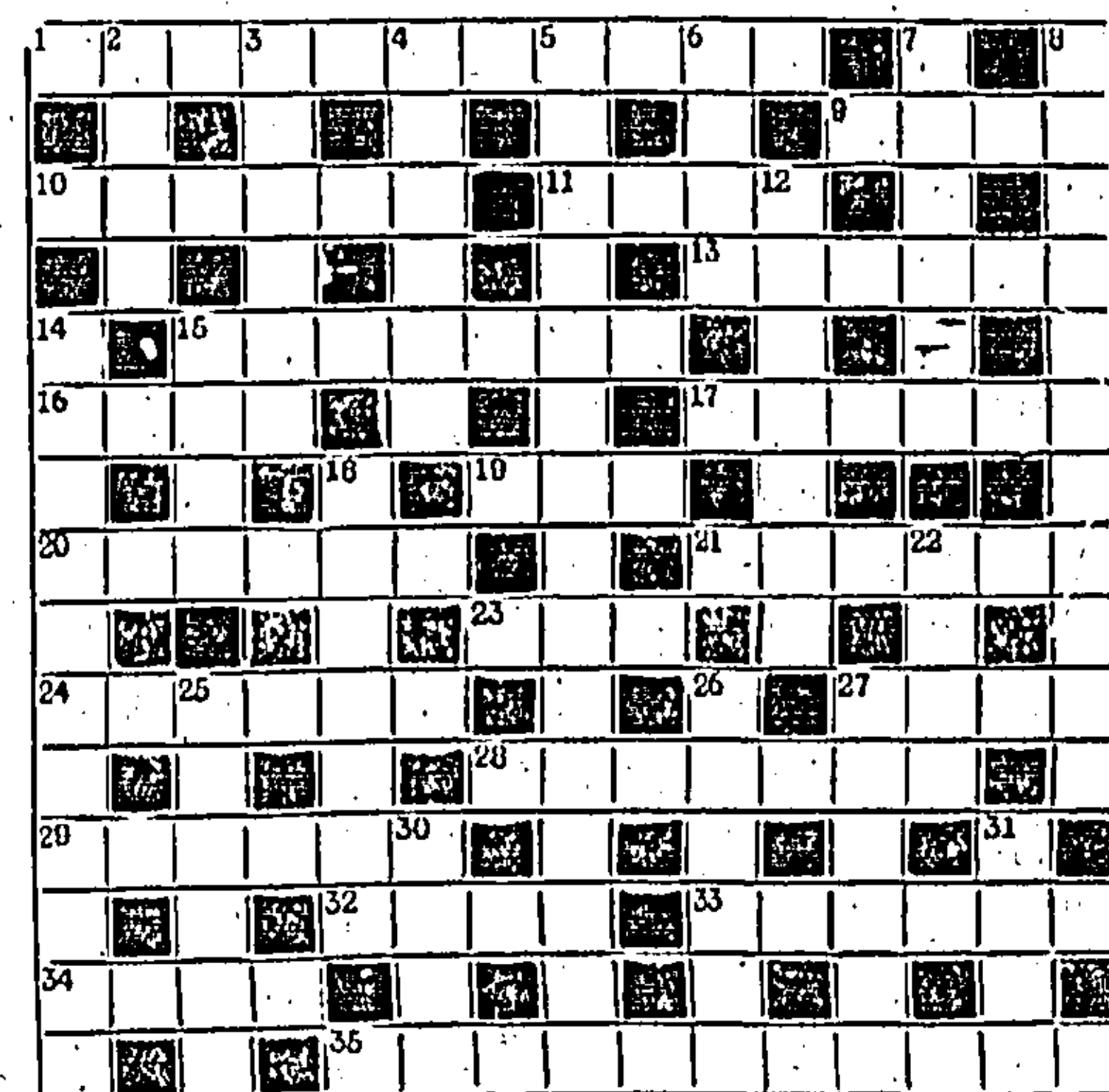
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- 13 Nesting places.
- 15 Insects house owners like.
- 16 Second-hand.
- 17 Bacon, sideways.
- 19 This article is definite.
- 20 Seen in Southend early.
- 21 May be run down though stout enough.
- 23 Animal copy.
- 24 Loses to a poet at times.
- 27 Counterfeit.
- 28 Opposite number (hyphens 3-1-3).
- 29 Root.
- 32 Bulking fellow this.
- 33 All in tow for the launch.
- 34 Bottle this.
- 35 Favourite resort.

DOWN

- 2 English politician who's always in Sweden.
- 3 Admitted more than selfishness.
- 4 Encroachment.
- 5 Means to sever one's connection.
- 6 Was he too Bohemian? (Four words, 2, 3, 3, 7).
- 7 The rogue lost his head in the church.
- 7 What's cut in 5 may be this.

8 Trice in two inelegant words (4, 7).

- 12 Sheestrings pass these.
- 14 Virtue leaps in the highest degree.
- 15 Nurse.
- 18 Bird.
- 22 Character in "Ben Hur" (rev.).
- 25 Breakfast table story in instalments.
- 26 Clank, not necessarily to hide.
- 27 Like "blazes".
- 30 Ground game.
- 31 If you get yours, you're annoyed.

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CANTON COLD SPELL GIVES PLACE TO SUNSHINE AND WARMTH

Canton, Dec. 16.
The sun staged a gallant comeback this afternoon in Canton city. The cold wind died down after playing havoc with the poor people since

the week-end.
The sunshine was heartily welcome in contrast to the dreary cold weather and lowering skies. The weather is likely to continue warm for the next 24 hours.

Six persons died of cold during the past four days. The charitable institutions gave hot congee and warm padded clothes to many poor people.—Union News.

SALESMAN SAM

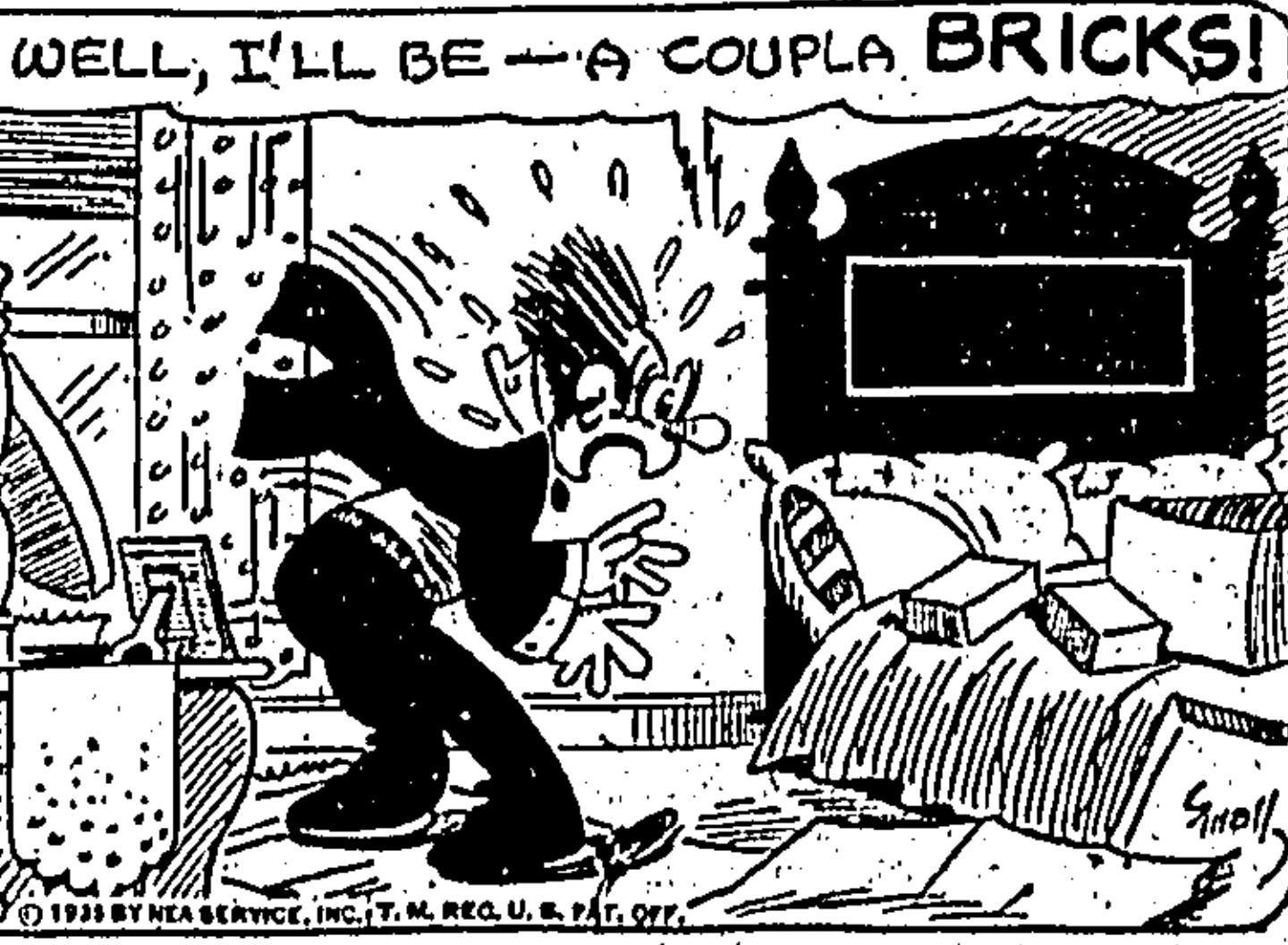
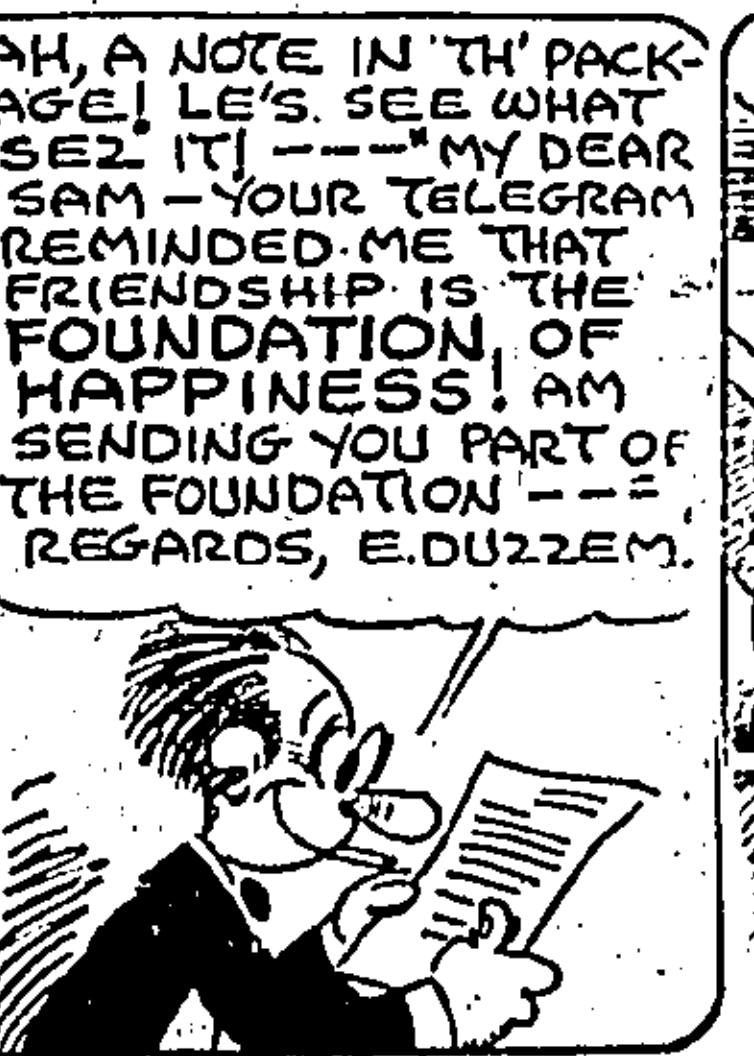
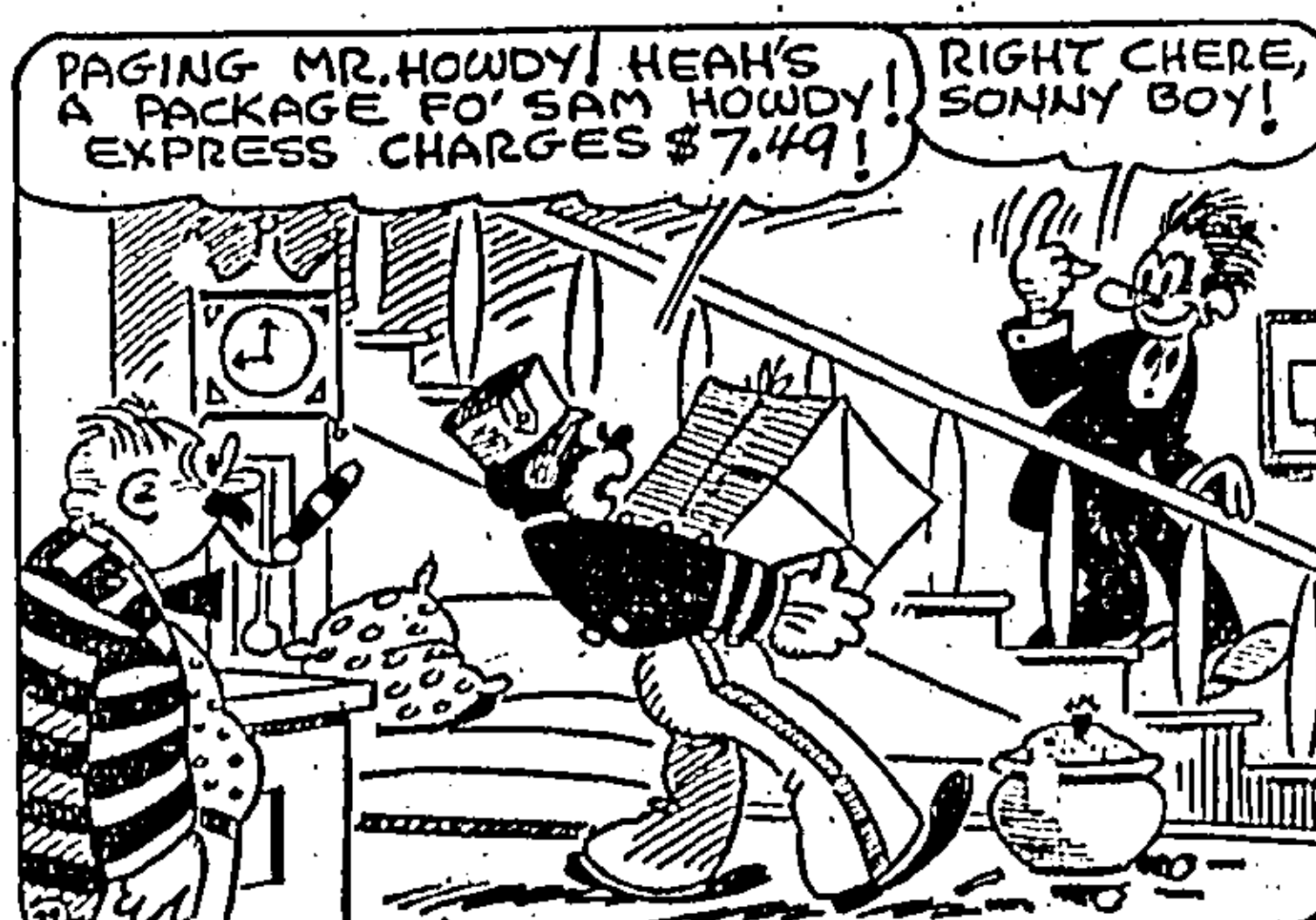
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ON JOB
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Anti-British riots in Cairo make Sir Miles Lampson's post a difficult one. He is British High Commissioner of Egypt, and was formerly Minister to Nanking.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA SHOWS HOW BETS BALANCE BUDGET

Last year the South Australian Government decided to tax bookmakers and betting.

Now, at the end of the financial year, the tax is found to have produced £130,000 and actually to have balanced the State's budget with a surplus of £36,226. But for the tax, there would have been another deficit.

To bring this about, South Australia had 25,000,000 bets.

This revenue from betting has amazed even the Premier, Mr. Butler. He is now being besieged by requests from the racing clubs who claim a share, and by the bookmakers who claim a reduction of the tax.

But although in the current year with its extra turf meetings and its influx of visitors for South Australia's centenary celebrations, the tax is likely to yield still greater revenue, Mr. Butler is keeping his counsel, says *Austral News*. He is making sure of another balanced budget.—*Austral News*.

INTERNATIONAL UNREST MEANS BIGGER R. A. F.

MANY MORE MACHINES FOR EMPIRE DEFENCE

FAR EAST COMPLICATIONS CAUSE UNEASINESS IN LONDON

There is to be an addition to the R.A.F. expansion programme already announced of between 200 and 250 more aircraft of the first line.

Under the scheme announced in May it was planned to expand the R.A.F. to a total of 1,940 aircraft.

Should the number of additional aircraft to be constructed be 250, the total would be 2,190, allocated as follows:

Home Defence First Line	1,500
Fleet Air Arm and Overseas Units	690

The further increase is mainly designed to meet requirements overseas. The expansion programme presumably is planned to be completed by May, 1937.

The personnel needed for the increase, which will probably be the subject of an official announcement shortly, will be from 2,500 to 3,000 officers and men, flying and non-flying.

Unless international affairs take a more favourable turn, an increase in the strength of Air Force units overseas on a permanent basis is essential and urgent.

It is not intended that there shall be any weakening of Home Defence in order that overseas units may be strengthened. When the Two-Year expansion programme was announced, the Secretary for Air stated:

"If the programme proves insufficient we will increase it, cost what it may in money and effort."

PARITY WITH FRANCE

The total of 1,500 for Home Defence was arrived at as the figure necessary for parity with Germany, which intends to be equal with France; in other words, to have at least 1,500 aircraft.

France, indeed, has a total of 1,670, including those in North Africa, and those can easily be brought home in an emergency. Germany's present-day strength is not certainly known. She has about 550 aircraft actually organized in squadrons, but has built, and is building, at a great rate.

There is no doubt Germany will have parity with France in the next few months, and the necessity imposed upon

Great Britain is therefore obvious.

The problem thus presented has for some time past seriously occupied the attention of the Government and the Air Staff. The Government's attitude is guided by the rule:

Be prepared for the possible, hoping the worst will not happen, but by preparation countering and perhaps averting it.

This rule supersedes the now discarded "Prepare for the best, hoping the worst will not befall."

FAR AND NEAR EAST

To the problem presented by Germany's great preparations by air, sea and land is added the complication of affairs in the Near East and the Far East. There the normal strength of our Air Force has for long past been far short of our needs, and recent events have compelled the Government already to take certain measures, and to prepare still more important changes.

Whatever measures be taken, it is the Government's definite resolve that the force available for Home Defence shall not be weakened.

The progress of the Two-Year expansion scheme is satisfactory. There is no reason to fear that an immediate provision for the further addition of 200 or 250 aircraft of the First Line would present any insuperable difficulty.

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Miss Jean Batten, the young New Zealand woman flier, shown with the plane in which she recently flew from Australia to England and thence across the Atlantic to South America. She was the first woman to have accomplished the feat. Natal, Brazil, was Miss Batten's objective.

Man In 'Death Row' Is Reading—For His Life



New York, Dec. 10. **BRUNO RICHARD HAUPTMANN**, convicted murderer and kidnapper of the Lindbergh baby, has taken his life into his own hands.

When the United States Supreme Court announced today that it would give consideration to Hauptmann's last appeal for a new trial, Hauptmann demanded that the voluminous reports of his Flemington trial should be brought to him in "Death Row" in Trenton Prison.

He hopes to find a loophole of escape in those ten volumes—a task in which his lawyers have failed.

Bitterly Disappointed Hauptmann spends his whole day poring over records of one of the most amazing murder trials in history.

Hauptmann has discharged two lawyers since his arrest thirteen months ago. His relations with his present lawyer are harmonious, but he is bitterly disappointed that they were unable to gain him a new trial in his recent appeal.

His supreme confidence in himself convinces him that he can do what they failed to do.

SPECIAL EDITION OF NEWSPAPER

FOR WOMAN WHO WAS IN HOSPITAL The *Toronto Star* newspaper, produced a special edition—one copy only.

It went to the mother of a six-days-old boy in the local maternity hospital.

The one issue omitted to print just one story—the one that told that her husband had been arrested for the alleged murder of a woman.

NEW YORK MAN, AGED 94, BECOMES A FATHER

Parentage Authenticated By N. Y. Medical Association

Chicago, Dec. 10. A man of 94 has been certified by New York physicians to be the father of a baby born a few weeks ago, the *Journal of the American Medical Association* reported.

The man is the father of 10 other children and grandfather of 38. The baby which attracted widespread attention of medical men was born to his second wife, a widow of 27 whom he married last year.

His name was withheld, but the *Journal* said his parenthood had been authenticated by New York physicians after exhaustive investigation.

The aged father was born on a

farm in North Carolina in 1840. He joined the Confederate Army at the outbreak of the Civil War, and returned to farming afterward.

He married in 1872, his first wife living until 10 years ago and bearing him 16 children, of which six are still living.

He always has been a man of outdoor habits, the report said, has had no operations, accidents or hospitalization of any sort. He chews tobacco, but does not smoke. Until a few years ago he "used considerable alcohol." His mother died at the age of 103.

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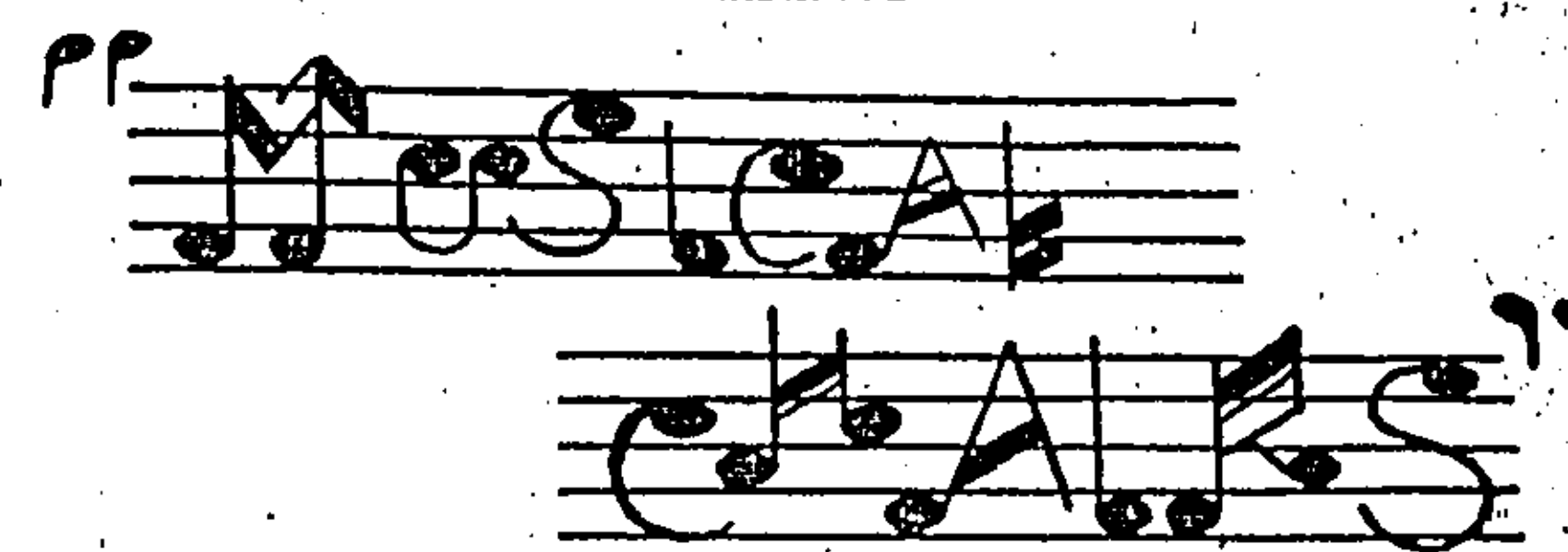
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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET DOWNWARD YESTERDAY

New York, Dec. 16. The following reports on the New York Stock Market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz:

The Wall Street Journal report on yesterday's markets: The markets today were downward, led by silver issues, but trading was on the light side. Automobile shares are showing the best resistance. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were also downward.

S. C. & P. New York office cables: Stocks: This market was under renewed pressure, but the volume of business was comparatively light. The Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company has earned \$1,433,000 during October, against \$680,202 during October last year.

Cotton: Scattered liquidation on a thin market caused prices to decline. The long range sentiment is bullish, but buyers are cautious, due to the European news and the silver situation. Mills are not buying owing to the possibility of a Supreme Court decision regarding the A.A.A. on January 6th.

Wheat: There is some talk of insufficient moisture in the South-West but the foreign market is unable to ignore the large Canadian supplies and the willingness to sell. Visible supplies show a decrease of 1,850,000 bushels, whilst the visible supply in Canada shows an increase of 1,417,000 bushels.

Corn: The visible supply of corn shows an increase of 424,000 bushels. Rubber: November consumption is estimated at 42,778 tons, which is below expectations. Arrivals are estimated at 28,826 tons, stocks at 303,162 tons and rubber afloat at 46,588 tons.

Special.—The Adams Express Company has declared a dividend of 10 cents per share. Gram's estimate of the production of cars and trucks in the United States and Canada during the week ended December 14th indicates 98,582 units, against 93,180 units the previous week. Steel mill activity during the past week is estimated at 64.6 per cent. of capacity, against 55.7 per cent. the previous week.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages:

Dec. 14. Dec. 16.

30 Industrials 140.38 139.11

20 Rails 30.05 30.55

20 Utilities 28.37 28.14

40 Bonds 97.81 97.68

11 Commodity Index 56.29 55.68

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Banks.

H.K. Banks, \$1470 n.
H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), \$97 1/4 n.
Chartered Bank, £13 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £28 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank C., £13 n.
East Asia Bank, \$70 1/2 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$270 n.
Union Ins., \$555 s.
China Underwriters, \$110 n.
China Fire, \$480 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$260 n.
Internat'l Asseco, Sh. \$4 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$4 n.
Indo-China, (Pref.), \$30 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$11 n.
Shell (Bearer), 80/- n.
Union Waterboats, \$12 n.

Mining.

Antamoks, \$1.35 n.
Balutoc, \$17 1/2 n.
Baguio Gold, 22 cts. n.
Benguet Consolidated, \$15 1/4 b.
Benguet Exp., 11 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 12 cts. n.
Gold Creek, 30 cts. n.
Gold River, 7 cts. n.
Ipo Mining, 90 cts. n.
Itogona, 36 1/2 cts. n.
Salacot, 15 cts. n.
Kailan, 10/6 n.
Langkats (Single), \$12 n.
S'hai Explorations, Sh. \$4 1/2 n.
S'hai Loans, Sh. \$5 1/2 n.
Raub, \$10 n.
Venz: Goldfield, \$2 1/2 b.

Docks etc.

H.K. Wharves (old), \$91 1/2 b.
H.K. Wharves (new), \$89 1/2 n.
H.K. & W. Docks \$9 n.
Providents (old), \$1.45 n.
Providents (new), 15 cts. s.
Hongkwa (old), Sh. \$237 1/2 n.
New Engineering, Sh. \$4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$80 n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cotton's Sh. \$9 1/2 n.
S'hai Cottons (old), Sh. \$75 n.
S'hai Cottons (new), Sh. \$41 1/4 n.
Zhong Singa, \$12 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$25 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$5 aa.
H.K. Lands, \$34 b.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben.
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S'hai Lands, Sh. \$20 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. \$10 n.
Humphries, \$10 1/4 n.
H.K. Realties \$5.15 n.
Chinese Estates, \$85 n.
China Realties, Sh. \$4 n.
China Debentures, \$35 n.
Public Utilities.

H.K. Tramways, \$14.40 n.
Penk Trams, (old), \$5 n.
Penk Trams, (new), \$4 n.
Star Ferries, \$90 s.
Yau-mat-Ferries, (old) \$17 n.

China Lights, \$11 n.
H.K. Electric, \$69 s.
Macao Electric, \$20 n.
Sandakan Lights, \$2.10 n.
Telephone (old), \$25 n.
Telephone (new), \$9.50 n.
China Buses, Sh. \$11 1/4 n.
Singapore Traction, 17/- n.
Singapore Pref 26/- n.

Industrials

Malabon Sugars, \$8.40 n.
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$19 1/2 n.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters.

Dec. 14. Dec. 16.
December .. 11.47 11.29/29
January .. 11.43 11.25/25
March .. 11.25 11.03/04
May .. 11.11 10.90/91
July .. 11.02 10.81/81
October .. 10.72 10.61/61
Spot .. 11.00 11.05

New York Rubber

December .. 13.14 13.09/00
January .. 13.22 13.15b
March .. 13.40 13.32b
July .. 13.54 13.46b/48
October .. 13.60 13.60/60
Total sales:—86 lots.

Chicago Wheat

December .. 101 1/4 100 1/4/100 1/4
January .. 88 1/2 87 1/4/87 1/4
March .. 89 1/2 88 1/2/88 1/2
July .. 90 1/2 89 1/2/89 1/2
Saturday's sales:—41,870,000 bushels

Chicago Corn

December .. 58 1/2 57 1/4/57 1/4
January .. 60 1/2 59 1/2/59 1/2
March .. 61 1/2 61 1/2/61 1/2
July .. 62 1/2 61 1/2/61 1/2
Saturday's sales:—5,336,000 bushels

Winnipeg Wheat

December .. 80 1/2 84 1/2/84 1/2
January .. 80 1/2 88 1/2/88 1/2
July .. 80 1/2 88 1/2/88 1/2
Total sales:—230 lots.

New York Silk

December .. 1.93 1.87/88
March .. 1.88 1.85/85 1/2
May .. 1.86 1.84/85 1/2
Total sales:—230 lots.

NOTES OF THE DAY

(Continued from Page 6.)

amount of sterling by the sale of its silver, which would be used to create an Exchange Control Fund, was shattered. The opinion is that the Government will presently go back to the old system, and that China may abandon its silver nationalisation experiment, following Hongkong. For, the unofficial argument continues, Hongkong might as well make the best use it can of its silver if no-one wants to buy it. Speculators are wondering if the Government of Hongkong will eventually sell back to the banks the silver it took from them; and others wonder whether the banks will want the metal.

Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$15 n.
Canton Ices, \$1.60 n.
Cement, \$6 aa.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.65 n.
H.K. Stores, &c.

Dairy Farm, \$19 aa.
Watson, \$4 1/2 n.
Lane Crawford, \$6 n.
Mackintoshes, \$5 n.
Sinceres, \$1.35 n.
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$40 n.

Miscellaneous.

H.K. Entertainments, \$3.40 n.
S. C. Enterprise \$1.35 n.
Macao "Greyhounds", \$2 n.
Constructions (old), \$2 s.
Constructions (new), 55 cts. n.
Vibro Piling, \$4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. & Bonds 91 1/2 n.

H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 5 1/2 prem. n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par. n.
Wallace Harpers \$4 n.

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INWARD MAILS

Straits	Van Houtz	December 17.
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	December 18.
Shanghai	Tantalus	December 18.
Hainan	Canton	December 18.
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	December 19.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 29th Nov.)	Pres. Hoover	December 19.
Shanghai, Foochow and Amoy	Suiyang	December 19.
Amoy	Tilawa	December 19.
Canada, and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 30th November)	Emp. of Japan	December 20.
Japan and Shanghai	Hankusan Maru	December 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd Nov.)	Pres. Hayes	December 20.
Saigon	Proper	December 20.
Japan and Shanghai	Aama Maru	December 21.
Straits and Europe via Negapatam		
November and Air Mail ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 7th Dec.)	Kashima Maru	December 21.
Java and Manila	Tiklong Maru	December 21.
Straits	Tokushima Maru	December 21.
Japan	Allipore	December 22.
Straits and Manila	Deucalion	December 22.
Straits and London	Tushima Maru	December 22.
15th November.		
Calcutta and Straits	Soudan	December 24.
Manila	Taima	December 24.
Manila	General Lee	December 24.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	December 20.
Java	Tjibadak	December 25.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 28th November and London Parcels) London 21st November.		
Straits	Rajputana	December 26.
Japan	Tian	December 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Atsuta Maru	December 27.
Shanghai	Naldora	December 27.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 7th December)	Polsdau	December 27.
Saigon	Pres. Grant	December 27.
Japan	Roggeveen	December 27.
	Toyama Maru	December 27.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
	Tuesday.	
Samsui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Tues., Dec. 17, 4 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Tues., Dec. 17, 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., C. and S. America, Canada and Europe via San Francisco and (Due San Francisco, 7th January).	Reg.	Tues., Dec. 17, 3 p.m.
Saigon	Reg.	Tues., Dec. 17, 4.15 p.m.
Amoy	Reg.	Tues., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
Manila	Reg.	Tues., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Reg.	Tues., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
Salamanca and Rabaul	Reg.	Tues., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.
	Wednesday.	
Swatow via Swatow	Chungking	Wed., Dec. 18, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Wed., Dec. 18, 3.00 p.m.
Amoy	Tainan	Wed., Dec. 18, 3.30 p.m.
	Thursday.	
Letters for "Imperial Service"—Buenos Aires Maru		Thurs., Dec. 19, due London, 3rd January 1936.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 30th December.		
	G.P.O.	
Reg.	Reg.	Dec. 19, 11 a.m.
Letters,	Letters,	Dec. 19, 11.30 a.m.
Japan	Kamo Maru	Thurs., Dec. 19, 1.30 p

DESTITUTE CHILDREN

WORK OF SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF CHILDREN NEEDS HELP

MONEY THAT WILL SAVE LIVES

A stirring appeal for financial support was made by Mr. G. P. de Martin, M.B.E., Chairman of the Executive Committee, at the annual public meeting of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children, which was held at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon.

The Presidential Address was read by Dr. R. H. Kotewall, who presided at the meeting on behalf of the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, President of the Society who, though present, did not conduct the meeting on account of a recent illness, from which he has just recovered.

The meeting decided to invite His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, to become Patron of the Society.

There was a good attendance at the meeting, amongst those present being the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, Lady Southern, M.B.E., Sir William Hornell, the Hon. Dr. S. W. To, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. H. Loney, Mr. S. V. Boxer, Chevalier J. M. Alves, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mr. M. A. Cooper, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Mrs. A. Hicks, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mrs. Kotewall, Mr. F. McArthur, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mr. Peter H. Sin, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin and Mr. J. M. Wong.

In his opening remarks, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow said that in previous years, the Governor of the Colony presided at the annual general meeting, but this year for reasons obvious to all, they had refrained from troubling His Excellency the Governor to perform the duty, which, accordingly, had devolved on him as President of the Society. Though he had recovered from his illness, he was still not strong as he would wish. He might appear to be healthy looking and possibly handsome (laughter), but he was not very strong. Therefore he had requested his old friend, Dr. Kotewall, as senior Vice-President, to read the Presidential Address and to conduct the meeting on his behalf.

Dr. Kotewall's Speech

Dr. Kotewall said:

Before I read the Presidential Address I desire, on behalf of all present, to congratulate Sir Shou-son Chow on his return to health, and to tell him how glad we are that he is with us to-day. Everyone who knows Sir Shou-son Chow must appreciate the deep concern he has for the welfare of the less fortunate members of our community, especially the poor children; but only those who have been privileged to serve with him on the Executive Committee of this Society can fully appreciate his work and the wisdom of his counsel as President, an office which he has held since the Society's foundation. Because of this, and also because the years ahead may bring still greater difficulties than any the Society has yet had to face, it is our heartfelt wish that Sir Shou-son Chow may long be spared to give us the benefit of his experience and wise guidance. I will now read the Presidential Address:

As most of you must have studied the Report on the Society's work during the past year, I propose to stress only one or two of its really vital features. It will have been noticed that the number of new cases in which help was given exceeded by more than 22 per cent. the number of the previous year. Another striking feature is that the average monthly income per head in the Society's cases shows a still further decline to \$2.01, a figure which is approximately 20 per cent. lower than the corresponding estimate of two years ago. The fact that the Society has been able to cope with an increasing volume of work without increasing its salaries is a tribute to the energy and enthusiasm of every one of its executive officers, paid and unpaid; but it is a disturbing thought that unless economic conditions in this Colony show distinct improvement during the year, the strain will be imposed on the Society's finances. In this connection I may be excused for reminding you that in the course of the past four years, the Society's ordinary income has fallen short of its expenditure by \$14,000, and this in spite of stringent economies in administrative expenses. Faced with this situation, your Committee have recently considered most carefully the question of future policy, and have decided that the acute distress now prevalent amongst the labouring classes demands that the present activities of the Society should not be curtailed until the last dollar entrusted to it by the public is spent. This decision is based on the hope that the general public, now that they know the pressing needs of the very poorest children of the Colony, will be induced to give the Society an even greater measure of financial support than they have given in the past. For this extended help I do most earnestly appeal.

Progress of Work

It should, I think, be a matter of legitimate pride to the supporters of the child welfare movement in this Colony to reflect on the progress which has been made in the space of a few years. Less than six years ago, when the Society was founded, the movement was relatively unimportant. To-day, the Society maintains three centres, while the Government maintain two similar and fully-equipped establishments, one of which is the Violet Peel Health Centre, opened in May last. The Army authorities, too, have started and are increasing their welfare work in the New Territories. We have the Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung Centre, which, while not confining itself to children, does a great deal of work for children. At the same time, the St. John's Ambulance Brigade have established



Florence Rice in "Death Flies East," a Columbia picture showing at the Alhambra Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

centres throughout the New Territories, and have a hospital for children at Cheung Chan. The Government have extended their hospital accommodation for children and, at the request of the Society, are considering the question of retaining part of the present Government Civil Playgrounds for children's hospital. Playgrounds for children have been established throughout the Colony, and I hope that still more will be provided.

This tide, if I may so call it, of interest in the welfare of poor children has extended to the Legislative Council which has passed legislation introducing two major reforms affecting juvenile delinquents, most of whom suffer from the effects of poverty. To-day, we do not see in the docks of the Police Courts tiny children whose eyes do not reach above the rail. They are brought before the Magistrate in his private room, and are treated with sympathy and understanding.

I mention all this because, whilst the greater part of the Society's active work may seem to fall on comparatively few, the fact is that most of the Society's Committee members have been, or are still, actively engaged in one or more of the many associated forms of child welfare work. As our Committee comprises more than sixty members, it will be realised that the influence of the Society on the well-being of children is a good deal wider than most people suspect, and I think that you will agree with me when I say that the combined efforts of this large team of keen workers deserves the highest praise from the community. Let me urge, once again, that the community can best show its appreciation of these efforts by contributing to the funds of the Society as generously as possible.

Workers Thanked

Appreciation has been expressed in the Report, of the valuable help rendered to the Society by various individuals, both men and women; but I feel that I cannot close without paying a special tribute here to three members whose services have been outstanding. To Mr. De Martin our thanks are due for his work as Chairman of the Executive Committee during the past year. We are greatly indebted to him for the time he has devoted to the many problems that have arisen during the year, and for the ability and patience with which he presided over the Committee meetings. To Mr. S. V. Boxer and Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, our Joint Honorary Directors during the same period, I tender, on behalf of the Society, our warmest thanks. Only those who, like myself, are closely associated with them in the work of the Society know the value of their services and the extent of the personal sacrifices they have made in the interests of the poor children.

Proposal Seconded

Mr. G. P. de Martin, Chairman of the Executive Committee, seconded the adoption of the annual report, and declared that he was addressing his friends of Hongkong's destitute children between whom and themselves lay the Society as a channel for their sympathy, born it may be of love for children or hatred of injustice, or perhaps of shame that the conditions indicated in the report can exist in Hongkong, or possibly because if the Society fails, something more expensive will have to take its place. The speaker thanked his hearers for their attendance and hoped by their good offices and through the ever generous friends of good causes—the Hongkong newspapers—to reach a wider public. He added:

"Most of us have at some time or other felt willing to help some unhappy creature in the street. But street begging is not to be encouraged and we cannot always feel that our help will not be misapplied. It is just in this way that the Society can be useful. Let us be your almoners. We spend your money carefully and not in cash, but in kind, it goes direct to those for whom you intend it."

The Society's Inspectors

"Our inspectors are doing their work with an amount of good will, tact, common sense and industry which could not be bought with much more liberal emolument than we can afford to give them, and I am glad to have this opportunity to thank them on behalf of the children and of our supporters and of the public generally for their good work in the past year."

"As we are acting on behalf of the public the question arises why the public does not support us in greater numbers. There may be many reasons, and I am inclined to lay the blame on our Society, for, in spite of its peculiar knowledge of the need, the shame, the urge, it has obviously failed to bring them home to our fellow citizens."

Poverty

The annual report states that the Society's poverty line is \$4 monthly per person in family, but Mr. de Martin asked his audience not to be misled by these figures. The \$4 and \$3 a month families are the Society's poorest, and little is done for them. In the past year 221 families helped by the Society had no income at all, and the average for all families was \$2.01 monthly per person in family. Few words are capable of more varied interpretation than poverty. There is the poverty where the week's wage just suffices for the week. There is the picturesque and sun-kissed poverty of the countryside. There is the poverty of the penniless fishermen, toilers of the sea, who derive from it support for their children and the mothers of their children. This sort of poverty is very different from the squalid misery the Society is attempting to relieve. That is the heart sickening poverty where the unhappy mother sees her infant wilt and wither on her breast because she has not had enough food to be able to feed it herself, and does not know of and cannot afford to buy artificial substitutes.

PHILIPPINES FUTURE

AMERICAN CONGRESSMEN ON INDEPENDENCE

Seattle, Dec. 16.

The Congressional party has returned from Manila. The Speaker of the House, Mr. J. W. Byrnes, voiced the consensus of Philippines outlook, saying, "I think the Philippines Government, if let alone, will not only gain independence but will achieve it in brilliant fashion."

Senator Nye scoffed at the idea of Japanese aggression.

The Vice-President, Mr. John Garfield, refused to comment.

Senator Gibson led a small minority in saying he believed the Philippines would never attain independence, and insisting that they might ask the United States to take them back as a protectorate.—United Press.

Pessimistic Views

Seattle, Dec. 16.

The question of the future of the Philippine Islands was raised by the arrival of the United States Government party which went to Manila for the inauguration of the Independence of Philippine Commonwealth.

One of the members of the party said that he thought that the Philippines Islands would not be satisfied with the experiment of independence and would seek the United States to continue the Protectorate.

Senator Burke (Idaho), said that the Islands might ask Britain to take them over if the United States declined.—Reuter.

finish with a quotation which is familiar to most of you.—If every man his doorstep kept the city would be clean. The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children is trying to free our little Hongkong doorstep from one very dirty stain." (Applause).

Election of Officers

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo proposed, and Sir William Hornell seconded, the following as the members of the Executive Committee for the coming year:

Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, M.B.E., Chevalier J. M. Alves, Mrs. L. W. Anpa, Mr. A. el Arcelli, The Rev. H. W. Baines, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mr. S. J. Boxer, The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, M.B.E., Adjutant Brazier, The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Mrs. Rose Li Chow, The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Mr. M. A. Cooper, Dr. A. L. J. Dovey, The Right Rev. R. O. Hall, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C., Mrs. A. Hicks, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mrs. Kotewall, Mr. F. McArthur, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Dr. L. O. Hunter, Dr. E. W. Kirk, The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, M.B.E., Mrs. Kotewall, Mr. Frank H. Kwok, Mr. Kwok Tram, Mr. Li Ho-tung, Mr. R. C. H. Lim, The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. H. Loney, Lady MacGregor, Mr. G. P. de Martin, M.B.E., Mr. A. McKellar, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Dr. G. R. Nash, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Dr. Phoon Sec-wah, The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Lady Southern, M.B.E., Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. E. M. Raymond, The Hon. Sir William Shenton, Lady Shenton, Miss Sain Tuk-ling, Mr. Peter Sin, Mrs. C. A. Middleton-Smith, Mr. L. D. Skinner, Mrs. A. E. Steele, Lady Southern, Mr. W. N. Thomas, Tam, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, M.B.E., The Hon. Dr. S. W. To's C.M.B., Mr. T. O. To's, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Mr. J. M. Wong and Mr. Wong Kwong-tin.

Governor Invited

According to the agenda, Sir Henry Pollock at this stage was to have proposed the election of other officers, but when he rose to speak he announced that he had a proposal which would meet with general approval. His proposal was that His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, be invited to become Patron of the Society. The proposal, seconded by the Hon. Mr. S. W. To, was passed with acclamation.

Sir Henry Pollock then moved that the President, Vice-Presidents, General Committee, Directors, Treasurer and Secretaries named in the Report be elected to the offices of officers designate there-shown being substituted for the names of Officers relinquishing offices. Seconded by the Hon. Mr. To, the motion was carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks to the Society's Honorary Directors, Messrs. Percy South, Seth and Winging, for their services rendered during the last year, was proposed by Mr. A. McKellar, seconded by Mr. M. A. Cooper and carried unanimously.

Mr. S. V. Boxer moved a vote of thanks to the President of the meeting in the work of the Society.

Sir Henry Pollock, on behalf of Lady Pollock, expressed regret that on account of a previous engagement, she was unable to be present at the meeting. He assured them all that his wife was very much interested in the work of the Society.

Sir William Hornell said that it did not appear to him to be good policy for the Society to spend every dollar it had, and suggested that ways and means be devised to augment the funds of the Society. He suggested that there must be many people in Hongkong who were willing to subscribe \$5 a year.

The Chairman said that the Executive Committee would remember Sir William's suggestion.

Before the meeting concluded, Dr. Kotewall expressed his pleasure at the presence of Lady Southern at the meeting. He said Lady Southern's great interest in the work of the Society had always been a source of encouragement to them.

In reply, Lady Southern expressed her regret that her gracious presence, as Dr. Kotewall put it, could not be there in person. She said that she would be of more use to the Society (Laughter). However, she thanked him for his kind reference to her, and promised that she would get the Girl Guides and the Women's International Club to make a special effort to help the Society.

ANGRY STUDENTS

YOUTHS BEATEN BY PEIPING POLICE

Peiping, Dec. 16.

Hundreds of students marched past the residence of Mr. Hsiao Cheng-ying at 9 o'clock this morning. Mr. Hsiao Cheng-ying was appointed Mayor of Tientsin after giving up his last post as Governor of Chihai. The students shouted "Down with Hsiao Cheng-ying!" "Down with traitors."

Armed police guarded the Walchiappa (Foreign Office) where a few members of the Chihai-Hopei Council decided to inaugurate the Council between December 18 and 20. Hundreds of Tsing Hun and Yenching Universities students besieged the north and west city gates which were closed at eight o'clock this morning. They shouted "Down with the Chihai-Hopei Council!" and "Down with Japanese Imperialism."

All Schools Guarded

The Police guarded every school, but students rushed to evade the Police. It is estimated that 5,000 students are trying to dodge the Police and meet near the Temple of Heaven.

A representative of the United Press was present to watch the Police directing their fire hose on the parading students. However, the students outflanked the police, cut through the hose and swarmed through the cordons.

Ten thousand students, peasants and workers assembled at the Temple of Heaven and passed a resolution to organise the masses, arm the people, and down Japanese Imperialism. They marched to the Foreign Office to ask the new councillors why they are selling out the national interests?

Impressive March

The ten thousand students in orderly ranks, shouting slogans and with banners flying, marched toward the Chienmen Gate, near the American Embassy, where they clashed with the police.

Five thousand divided into small groups and finally were permitted to enter the Tartar City.

Seven boys and four girls were treated at the Rockefeller Institute Hospital for injuries.

Old residents say the demonstration was the most orderly, most patriotic and most significant they had seen for many years.—United Press.

Nervous Police

Peiping, Dec. 16.

Students have been allowed to pass freely through the Chienmen main gate between the Tartar and Chinese cities, but on returning the police blocked their way and the gates were hurriedly shut, the police pouring some half-dead men from the police station at the adjacent gate. The students were orderly like marching troops, but when the head of their column came near to the police station, a dozen policemen who were running wildly about, fired a volley over their heads.

The students who gathered quickly, were taken completely by surprise, and they quickly reformed their ranks and filled the large square between the Chienmen Gate and the Kihnan Station. The police continued to be nervous and excited, some carrying swords of various sizes and pistols, all with their fingers on the triggers.

A student's deputation requested permission to march through the gate and received in reply two more volleys from the demoralised police.

Reuter's correspondent was an eyewitness of the entire scene and it was a marvel that the nervous police did not shoot each other, let alone a number of students.

Some cartridges were blank, but many live rounds were also used.—Reuter.

RADIO BROADCAST

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- 11.50 a.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
- 11.45 a.m. Weekly Newsletter and Sports Summary.
- 12.5 p.m. Close down.
- 1.15 p.m. Transmission 2 (G.S.B., G.S.R. and G.S.G.).
- 7 p.m. Big Ben. Sydney, Perth, at the Organ of the Regal, Edmonton.
- 7.30 p.m. "Light" No. 2.
- 8.15 p.m. A Recital by Joan Baker (Pianoforte).
- 8.30 p.m. Leicester Opera House Orchestra.
- 9 p.m. The News.
- 9.15 p.m. The "Marcher" Tuesday Midday Society's Concert.
- 9.45 p.m. Close down.
- 10 p.m. Transmission 3 (G.S.F., G.S.R. and G.S.H.).
- 10.45 p.m. Big Ben. The Birmingham Theatre Royal Orchestra.
- 10.45 p.m. Musical Occasions—No. 5: "Songs Dickens Knew."
- 11.15 p.m. The "Marcher" Tuesday Midday Society's Concert.
- 12 a.m. Evening relayed from York Minster.
- Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.
- 12.45 a.m. The News.
- 1 a.m. Close down.
- Transmission 4 (G.S.B. and G.S.D.).
- 1.15 a.m. Big Ben. "The Empties" (Fourth Edition).
- 2 a.m. The News.
- 2.15 a.m. "High Spots" No. 8: Moorids.
- 2.30 a.m. The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
- Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.
- 3.30 a.m. The Victor Old Sextet. Arthur Lockie (Soprano).
- 4 a.m. Variety Features.
- 4.15 a.m. The B.B.C. Orchestra (Section D).
- 4.30 a.m. Close down.
- 5.45 a.m. The News.
- Greenwich Time Signal at 6 a.m.
- 6 a.m. The News.
- 6.15 a.m. Musical Interlude.
- 6.30 a.m. The "Marcher" Tuesday Midday Society's Concert.
- 6.45 a.m. Close down.

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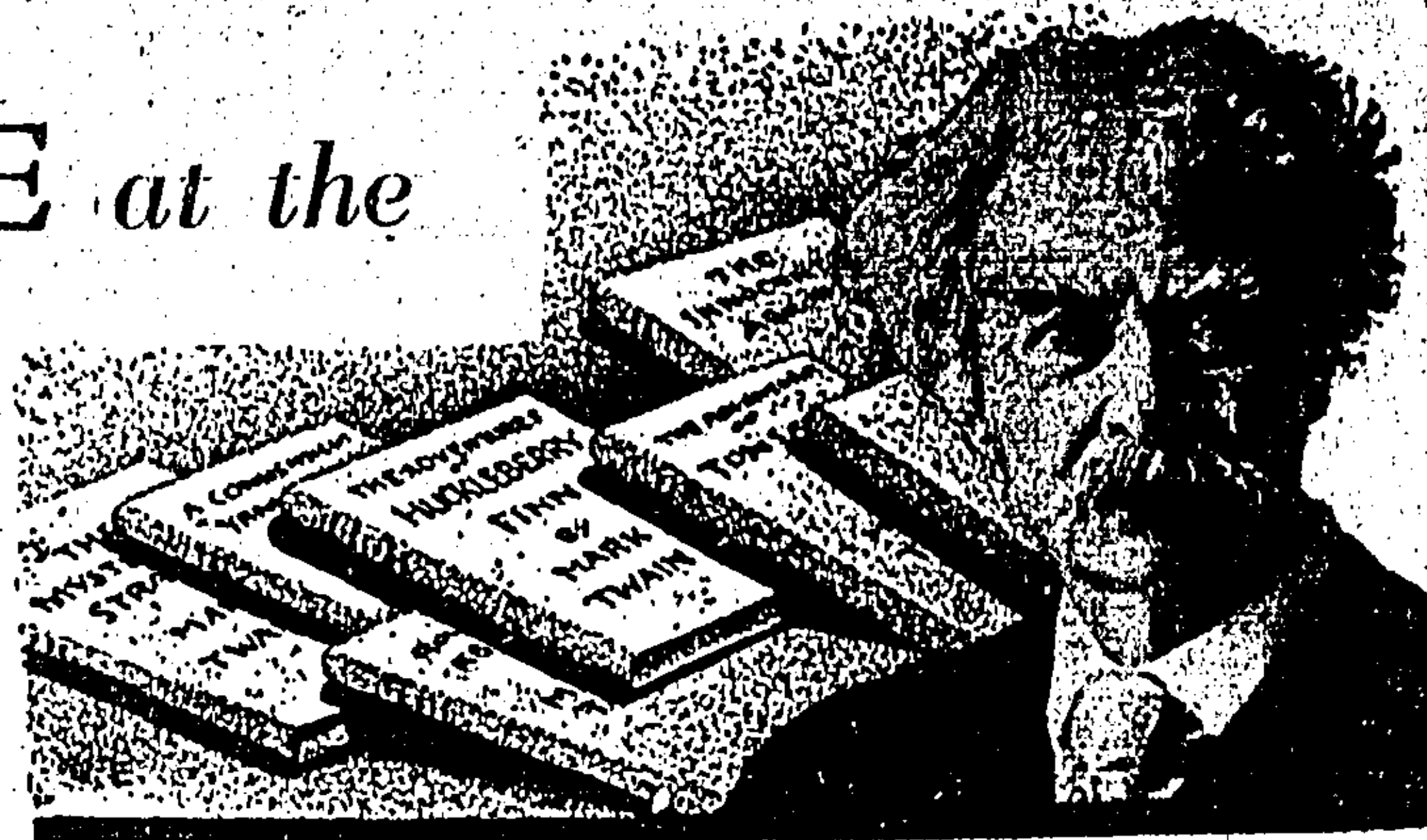
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TUESDAY, DEC. 17, 1935.

STARK POVERTY

During the week-end, Hongkong has had some unpleasant reminders of the state of extreme poverty in which so many of its inhabitants live. The annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children served to bring the issue once again to the fore, and the revelations made by the Bishop of Victoria, in his sermon on Sunday, of what he saw in a tenement house in the city, vividly illustrated the appalling conditions with which the poorest of the poor have to put up. Bishop Hall's statement, which parallels facts disclosed in the annual report of the S.P.C., is worth emphasising in condensed form. In one cock-loft in a cubicle there were no fewer than seven families accommodated on separate bed-spaces, occupied by fifteen people. These bed-spaces are all that the occupants can afford to rent, and they have to do duty for the accommodation of the families day and night. Of the fifteen occupants in these cramped and unhealthy surroundings it was discovered that four were children supporting their parents by what they could pick up; three were daughters of a woman who was undergoing a term of imprisonment for no more serious offence than that of hawking without a licence! No-one with a spark of humanity in his or her make-up can read facts like these without feeling that there is something sadly lacking in the social services of the Colony. The Society for the Protection of Children, and other bodies as well, are doing what they can to ameliorate the lot of these poor people, but, at best, their efforts only touch the fringe of a big social problem. As Bishop Hall was at pains to point out, these people are our fellow-citizens; well might he ask what kind of training for future fatherhood and motherhood is possible under the conditions in which these poverty-stricken people exist. It is no answer to the problem to say that there are laws against overcrowding, and that if these laws were strictly enforced, such hovels would automatically disappear. The problem is an economic one, and the dominant fact about it is that the people affected could not possibly afford to rent better quarters—they would merely be forced into the ranks of the street sleepers. Admittedly, much of the slum property in this Colony is of a type which would not for one moment be tolerated in England, where such houses are being compulsorily demolished, with no compensation paid to the owners. But to enforce demolition here, and be unable to provide alternative accommodation within the rent-paying capacity of the present tenants, would not solve the question. Again we are thrust back to the economic aspect. In the long run, when standards of living are raised beyond the mere subsistence level, the problem will solve itself. Mean-

A YANKEE at the COURT of KING LAUGHTER



MARK TWAIN never quite knew what he wanted to be. As written in an encyclopedia, his life sounds like an orderly and progressive triumph. In reality it wasn't. He was just moving round, thinking what to do next. When at last he found out what he wanted to be—a great social reformer—it was too late.

Mark Twain was, in reality, a "minstrel." He spent his life in moving about from place to place, from occupation to occupation, from dream to dream.

In his village home at Hannibal, Missouri, he learned the trade of a printer; not for printing's sake, but because if you learn to print you don't have to stay in Hannibal, Missouri. He wandered round for about five years (1853-57) in the cities of the States, taking his job with him, quitting it in one place and taking it up in another.

Then he started for South America—probably because there was no printing there to speak of. On the way he "struck" New Orleans, stuck there, and then, attracted by the glamour of the Mississippi steamboat and by the call of the Great River to one of its children, turned into a pilot, and navigated up and down the Father of Waters. Of literature he never dreamed. It came by accident.

NOTES OF THE DAY

BACK TO SILVER?

We who try to follow the tortuous paths of exchange, sometimes hoping, sometimes cast down, have wondered for some time just how the Government, or the "Government banks," proposed to control the Colony's dollar value; or if they intended to control it. We have asked where we should not have asked, possibly; but since there is no official explanation of the details of the Government's intentions, we have inquired in unofficial quarters. Opinions are to be had in plenty. Exchange brokers and speculators do not hesitate to air their views, with the forlorn hope, perhaps, that they will get into print and influence the market in the right direction. The exchange speculator has been greatly handicapped by the Government's action in sequestering silver and the banks' refusal to do forward business, or any business at all without a large margin coverage. Exchange brokers are a little "fed up." However, they still have their views and shreds of their hopes. One of these views, which apparently enjoys considerable popularity, is that the Government is as much embarrassed by its recently promulgated policy as the brokers themselves. The Government took over the banks' silver, paying a reasonable price for it, we believe, with the intention of selling the metal on the London or other markets, the unofficial story goes. But within a few days of the sequestration of the silver stocks, the silver market cracked. The price fell away and the principal buyer, if not the only buyer in any quantity, the United States Treasury, refused to take more than a fraction of the offerings. The Government of Hongkong, having more silver than it knew what to do with, found itself in much the same position as any speculator, with the market going quite the wrong way. And this is the climax of the unofficial story—the Government's dream of obtaining a substantial

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time, however, it has to be faced. The time may come when the Government will be able to provide something in the nature of a poor law institution; until then, the task falls on such organisations as the S.P.C., eloquent appeals for the support of which were made last night. We cannot believe that these appeals will fall on deaf ears. The responsibility is a communal one; it should be freely discharged.

WHEN the Civil War closed the river he had to go somewhere else. He couldn't join in the war. His clear vision showed him that both sides were perfectly right—as they are in all great wars.

He enlisted in some non-descript Confederate irregulars, got someone, in his own words, to "hold his gun for a minute," and moved on. He went west because he couldn't go east, "roughing it" across the plains as secretary to the Secretary of Nevada—his brother.

Not liking official life, he quit it to go into mining, and quit mining, when the first frenzy was over, to go into journalism. This was Nevada journalism, all localised, heedless of the outer world living on quips and gags, punctuated with pistol shots, late suppers and minor riots and tumults.

It suited young Clemens to the ground. There was in it just that mixture of effort and idleness that was the effort of his being. Sam Clemens he still was, but the "boys" were already beginning to call him "Mark Twain," after the *nom de plume* (taken from the pilot's jargon) that he signed to his articles.

In the Nevada journalism—in the American journalism of the day—nobody used his own name. It wasn't good enough. They signed themselves "Dan De Quille," "Philander Q. Doesticks," Artemus Ward and Petroleum Naseby—something with all the colour of the morning in it.

CHASED out of Nevada—by a duel—"Mark" went to San Francisco—into real journalism, and couldn't stand it. From first to last he hated taking orders from anybody. There is no interest in just doing what you have to do. So he went back to mining, got sick of it again and took a wind-fall trip to the Sandwich Islands, which were then really islands.

In all of this there was no thought of a literary career, no background of education or college, none of that sedulous preparation for a career which is supposed to be the means of obtaining one. Mark Twain's life came by accident. No doubt it was better so. A college course would have stifled him. His queer genius for what is called "humour" grew best by itself, like the beautiful flowers for which the bulbs must first sprout in the dark.

When Mark got back from the islands, he "wrote the island up"—a huge local success, and then the "boys" put him up to give a lecture on the islands in San Francisco and all of a sudden a crown of laurel fell on his head, amid the roaring laughter of a California audience. Here was a new life-work—to go all round the world and "write it up" and lecture about it. A local newspaper put up the money and off went Mark Twain as an "Innocent Abroad" in 1867 and came back to find he had exchanged a Californian notoriety for an international reputation.

HE lectured in New York before he went, and in a lot of places after he got back. Henceforth lecturing was overshadowed by fate upon his life. But he disliked it, as does everybody who can do it well. More than that, he didn't like the notion of just being a "funny man"; like so many of us, he despised his own trade.

Still looking for a life-work, Mark Twain, with the "Innocents" money, bought a share in the *Buffalo Express*, and sat at an editor's desk hour by hour and day by day, as eager at first as a Californian miner washing out pay-dirt, and presently as disillusioned.

Some of the dirt he washed out—in the random articles that punctuated his editorials—was rare stuff. Here belongs his famous "Siege of Paris Map" (the year was 1870), for which he whittled out a block, with a jack-knife, in his office.

These were the opening days of his married life with Mark trying hard to be respectable, to forget how to swear, and to join his beloved Livy in evening prayer. But he couldn't "stick it." He wasn't a journalist—not that kind, with a desk and a chair. And in any case he had begun to discover that he didn't need to be; it began to look as if he was to be a "literary man."

It was the English—the public and the critics—who first told him so, who first really discovered Mark Twain. The "boys" in California thought him "funny," the professors in Boston thought him cheap. It was the English who first discovered that he was an author.

THE English of that period—it was the middle nineteenth century—after despising everything American, from George Washington down, had made a sudden and cheerful discovery of American humour. England took the frail and gentle Artemus Ward to its heart like a little child from far away. And when the little child grew tired and died on English soil, his friend Mark Twain fell heir to the inheritance.

Within a few years Mark Twain became for them the American humorist—unrivaled, with a place all his own, not as a clown, but as an artist, a genius. From then till the end England never lost its appreciation.

Once indeed, when he published "Connecticut Yankee in the Court of King Arthur," there was a brief hurricane of anger.

But it easily passed. After all, the book is funny, roilingly funny; what does it matter if it is false as history, and ridiculous as social theory?

BUT all that came later. Mark Twain left Buffalo to live in Hartford, Connecticut, and turned into an author—that is, a man with no definite means of support. There followed the books which, after the first triumph of the "Innocent," spread his name round the world—"Tom Sawyer" and "Roughing It," and "Huckleberry Finn"—the greatest book ever written in America. Mark Twain found that to write a book he had only to recall his Mississippi days or to look back to where the sunsets fell on the Nevada mountains. It was a gold mine indeed.

KELLY'S CHESS TROUBLE

NOTICED in yesterday's *Telegraph* that our old friend Doc Alekhine was defeated in the world's chess championship by Euwe. That's what comes of having names like that.

We did not play in the championships this year. We had enough trouble last year.

We were playing at Geneva and the Yugoslavian welterweight, Katsenios, and was standing behind our chair while we played Upan Dazle, the Turkish Tiger. We led off using the Alsatian gambit, and pawned Dazle's queen in the first half-hour.

And once you get a sanction on you it's very hard to get off. We tried petrol and ammonia, and even sand-paper, but you can still see signs of it on us now.

You see, it was this way. Our grandfather had just beaten the Yugo-slavian welterweight, Katsenios, and was standing behind our chair while we played Upan Dazle, the Turkish Tiger. We led off using the Alsatian gambit, and pawned Dazle's queen in the first half-hour. Perhaps we'd better explain the game before we go any farther. Chess is played on a black and white board.

But even as he wrote and the world laughed—lectured and the audience roared, his mind was on other things. His desk was always crammed with manuscripts, meant as the beginning of vast performances, huge satires on creation, elemental denunciations of the Old Testament, a passionate outcry against the injustice of our human lot.

Most of it never got published. He couldn't bear to hurt the old-fashioned piety of his wife, the austerity of his New England friends. He couldn't bear to check the laughter of the public.

Nor was this all. Mark Twain, inspired with that hatred of publishers which has disgraced the lives of so many authors, determined to be a publisher himself. He floated a company, made a fortune for his dying friend General Grant and his heirs—and brought down ruin on himself.

The financial wreck made by publishing was completed by what he thought "shrewd investment" (he saw that his real life-work should have been finance) and by a desperate attempt to float a new and wonderful machine that would set type for printing. He foresaw that there were millions and millions in it. There were; but not for him.

While his fortune was ebbing out, Mark Twain, perpetually going back and forth from America to England, was writing his "Joan of Arc"—a book that was the pride of his heart, but heavy as lead if it had not his name to float it.

Then came ruin; and with it, at sixty years of age, a renewed access of his Californian energy; a trip around the world, lecturing and writing—in imitation of what he once had been—and nobly done at that.

THE last ten years of his life were just an episode, a life-of—wandering—with only an empty home to come to vagaries about Christian Science, attacks on missionaries, a voice lifted up against Imperialism, American Expansion, and European Conquest.

But the world would not have it so. They took it as just the peevish talk of a beloved old man, against whom one could not take offence. They still passed round the books with the picture on the cover of "Mark" with his Missouri corn-cob pipe. When he said he was a Chinese "boxer" (and he meant it) they laughed and said, "Have you heard Mark's latest?"

They gave him college degrees, pretended that he was a doctor of laws—and so, crowned with honours, he was gently escorted out of life—not yet having started.

All the white squares are next to the black squares, and all the black squares are next to the white squares. This is to keep them separate. Then you are given a handful of rooks (not the kind you know) and pawns, and kings, and queens, and bishops, and castles which you spread out on the board indiscriminately. You then go to sleep. The first to wake up moves something on the board, and then it is the other player's turn.

Well (stop shuffling your feet!) as we say, we pawned Dazle's queen with a clever feint with the rook, and a right-cross with the king behind the touch-lines. Dazle was furious, and said that if we did it again he was going home, and taking his board with him because it was his board, and he was only letting us play on it as a favour.

We said what about the fishing rod we let him two years ago, and he said we'd never had a fishing rod. Our grandfather in the meantime had pinched Dazle's rook, and hid it behind the clock. Then someone tipped the table over and we had to start all over again. We were lucky to get out of the place alive.

NEW NAVY LIMITATION PROPOSAL

BRITAIN SEEKING
ANOTHER ROAD

EARLY EFFORTS PROFITLESS

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 16. Naval Conference business took a new turn this afternoon after a meeting restricted to the heads of the delegations.

Questions by other delegates failed to evoke signs of a compromise on Japan's demand for parity, and it was decided to defer further consideration of this matter for the present.

Meanwhile, Britain has decided to explore new channels, and will introduce proposals to-morrow on quantitative limitation by categories. These proposals will call for a declaration by each Power of what building programmes they contemplate for a period of years, preferably for six years.—*Reuter Special.*

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE

London, Dec. 16. At the Naval Conference, Viscount Monsell, First Lord of the Admiralty, announced that Britain would present her own quantitative limitation proposals on Tuesday. It is understood that the proposal will suggest a mutual exchange of information on a six-year building plan.

Admiral Nagano said he was willing to listen to any proposals by other Powers, and he was prepared temporarily to shelve Japan's demands.—*United Press.*

LITTLE PROGRESS

London, Dec. 16. The Naval Conference, having reached a "repulsive stage" and progress on the Japanese demand for a common upper limit having seemingly been profitless, it has been decided that the Japanese delegates shall continue discussions thereon bilaterally.

The Conference has accordingly changed its ground to consider a British proposal for quantitative limitation by categories, under which each Power will be invited to state in advance what construction it contemplates for the next five years. The exact period is not at present specified, but in order to avoid the necessity for frequent conferences, the British favour six years, though France and Italy have already expressed reluctance to undertake a long-term treaty commitment.

BRITAIN'S AIM

It is understood that Britain's desire is merely designed to produce concrete figures on which negotiations can be conducted.

The Conference again meets to-morrow at 3.15 p.m., but the bilateral talks on parity will begin in the morning, when the Japanese delegates will visit the United States delegation.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH TRADE SUFFERS

SANCTIONS EFFECTS REVEALED

London, Dec. 16. Trade returns from Germany show the effect of the restrictions on trade with Italy, imposed as a result of obligations arising from British membership of the League of Nations in connection with Italy's resort to war in Ethiopia in disregard of her covenants.

The measures only became effective on November 18 and some imports were higher than the year before as a result of buying in anticipation, but exports were in many cases markedly reduced.

Exports of wool, raw and waste were only £3,261, compared with £46,628 in November, 1934. Coal and fuel were £3,197, against £22,970, and chemicals £3,227, against £14,979. The biggest decline was in coal exports—from £320,919 a year ago to £28,671 last month. On the other hand, exports of non-ferrous metals and rubber increased.—*British Wireless.*

BRITISH POLICY IN EGYPT

MISTAKEN VIEWS CORRECTED

London, Dec. 16. In the House of Commons, in answer to a question on Egypt, Mr. Eden said the United Front had communicated to Sir Miles Lampson a note ending with a request for the conclusion of the Treaty negotiated in 1930. The High Commissioner had communicated the contents of the note to His Majesty's Government, and the question was now being examined.

His Majesty's Government still hold that the restoration of the 1923 Constitution was not in the best interests of the Egyptian people. As, however, a mistaken impression still existed in Egypt, in spite of assurances given by the Foreign Secretary that their advice on the subject amounted to a veto, they had instructed the High Commissioner to dispel that impression, and he had been successful in achieving the object.—*British Wireless.*

CHINESE PROTEST TO BERLIN

OBJECTIONABLE
REFERENCES

IN HITLER'S BOOK

Berlin, Dec. 16. An informal Chinese protest has been made against passages in Hitler's book, "Mein Kampf". It is understood that during the week-end the Chinese Minister, Mr. Liu Chung-chieh, informally conversed with the State Secretary, Herr Funk, who is Dr. Goebbels' deputy at the Propaganda Ministry, and drew attention to certain passages in the book, including a reference to "negroes and Chinese" in the same phrase.

The Chinese Minister pointed out that such passages were considered objectionable by a large section of the Chinese people.

Herr Funk replied cordially, stating that Hitler never wished to hurt the feelings of the great Chinese people, for whom Germans had nothing but the highest esteem.

It is understood that Herr Funk promised that Hitler would withdraw or amend the passage mentioned, in the next edition of the book.—*Reuter.*

LOUD PRAISE FOR MASARYK

BRITISH PRESS TRIBUTES

London, Dec. 16. To-day's newspapers pay tributes to President Masaryk of Czechoslovakia on his retirement. There are many references to his sojourn in England and the great number of friends he made.

The *Daily Telegraph* says, "If any European statesman of first rank has earned his repose, it is Masaryk. If any has desired supremely well of his country and should be styled its father, it is Masaryk." Under this "Philosopher King," Czechoslovakia had made great economic and social progress and has sought peace and ensured it.

The *Times* says, "By precept and example he has victoriously defended liberal causes temporarily lost or continually endangered in Central Europe since the war. For 18 years he has been both the first citizen of his country and the chief guide and counsellor of its political progress, and thanks above all to him, the democratic institutions of Czechoslovakia have stood firm."—*British Wireless.*

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

THE REWARD OF A DUTY PERFORMED LIES IN THE ACQUISITION OF STRENGTH TO PERFORM A DUTY THAT IS MORE DIFFICULT.—*Emerson.*

His Excellency Admiral Sir Frederic Dreyer, Commander-in-Chief, and Lady Dreyer, moved into Admiralty House (formerly Marble House) on Sunday and are now in residence there.

A man, Tsang Lin, aged 84 years, was bound over by Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning on a charge of begging in Queen's Road Central. He is to be sent to the country. Sub-Inspector Walsh stated that the man had \$9.17 in his possession.

Brought before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court this morning, Yu Tsang, 30, unemployed, admitted stealing 27 fresh eggs from The Tak Wan Tea-house, No. 1 Bonham Strand East, and was bound over, Wang Tsang, 27, was similarly dealt with when he pleaded guilty to stealing two jackets from Mui Tak, fishmonger, on board the steamer Tin Yat at the Po Tak wharf. Sub-Inspector L. Mist prosecuted.

Appearing on remand before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, Chan Yuk-long, of No. 95 Temple Street, on November 30, was fined \$10 that he did "unlawfully, by mechanical means, reproduce amplified music in a manner which was intended to attract the attention of passers-by causing them to assemble and obstruct a public place, to wit, Kowloon Street, on November 30, 1935." Defendant pleaded guilty. Sergeant Pennell was the complainant.

Admitting the possession of 2.7 tael of raw opium at Shanghai Street near Soy Street last Sunday, Chau Ho, 35, widow, was fined \$50 or, in default, one month's hard labour by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The prosecution stated that defendant was seen by a district watchman in Shanghai Street. Defendant began to run when she saw the watchman and ran up the stairway of No. 459 Shanghai Street where she was seen to deposit the opium on the stairway.

Thousands To See Exhibit

CHINA'S TREASURE DRAWS CROWDS

London, Dec. 16. Lotus bud pink, flamingo red, imperial yellow, Peking blue, Nanking blue and jewel blue are the new colours derived from the Chinese Art Exhibition which the British Colour Council are producing in January for both silk and cotton.

The Queen has already ordered a dress of jewel blue silk. Chinese green is another shade new to the West whence it derived all shades of jade and celadon.

Paying visitors to the Exhibition to December 14 were 68,393 or a daily average of over four thousand and

ITALY QUESTIONS GREAT BRITAIN

Wants Peace Proposal Elucidated

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, Dec. 16. Signor Grandi, the Italian Ambassador here, had half an hour's interview with Sir Robert Vansittart of the Foreign Office to-day, to obtain information with a view to reporting further on the peace proposals at the Fascist Grand Council meeting Wednesday.

He will also see Sir Robert to-morrow, seeking clarification of certain points, particularly the conditions under which Italian settlers shall be able to exploit the southern Ethiopian areas allotted to them by the plan.—*Reuter Special.*

tends to increase. In the second week there were nineteen thousand more than the first week.

Staff associations of large commercial firms have already booked nine thousand tickets, only a thousand less than for the whole duration of the French Exhibition—for example, Imperial Chemical Industries has taken 500 tickets, Bank of England 600, British Colour Council 900. Eighteen thousand school children have already booked.

The Royal Academy is arranging a new series of lectures on Chinese art, beginning in the New Year. All lectures originally arranged were sold out.—*Reuter.*

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

There was a clean bill of health for the Colony during the week-end.

The New Territories Agricultural Show is to be held on Saturday and Sunday, January 4 and 5, at Shek Wu Hui.

The Pharmacy issue a handsome calendar for the New Year—with a coloured picture of old-time war vessels in full sail off Dover.

Two men broke into a watchman's hut at the site of the new golf in Stanley about 3 a.m. to-day and after binding the watchman and two other inmates of the hut, stole 500 sticks of dynamite. A curious feature is that they left three sticks of dynamite behind.

Maaso Oshikane, 52, trader, was fined \$10 by Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court this morning when he pleaded guilty to failing to report his departure to Canton on October 10 and return to Hongkong on October 11 and 15. Sub-Inspector H. W. Nollth, of the Registration of Persons Office, stated that defendant registered in July last year.

Apollonio Chan, 22, unemployed, was charged before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court this morning with being in the Colony apparently a vagrant. Defendant was remanded for 24 hours in police custody for further enquiries as there was some doubt regarding his American citizenship. "He said he is Filipino but his father is Chinese, I believe," remarked Detective Sergeant F. E. Russell.

Attractively-printed programmes have been prepared for the pantomime, "Dick Whittington and His Cat," which is to be presented at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, at 9 p.m. to-night, Thursday and Saturday, with matinee performances at 5.30 p.m. on Friday and at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday. There will be many pleasing features, including the ballet under the direction of Mr. George Goncharoff.

Appearing before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a charge of stealing house fittings from No. 382 Lockhart Road, ground floor, yesterday, Ian Kan and Chu Chai, coolies, were fined \$25, or, in default, 14 days' hard labour, each, or serve in default 14 days' hard labour. Second defendant was also fined \$50, or six weeks' hard labour, on a charge of possession of a screw-driver and a chisel without being able to account for them. The defendants entered the premises about 11.30 a.m. yesterday. The door was closed but not locked by the previous tenants who had absconded the previous night without paying the rent.

AVIATION PIONEER PASSES

RENOWNED BRITISH
SCIENTIST

SIR RICHARD GLAZEBROOK

London, Dec. 16. The death has occurred of Sir Richard Tetley Glazebrook, the aviation pioneer.—*Reuter.*

Sir Richard Tetley Glazebrook, distinguished scientist, was born in September, 1864, and was educated at Liverpool College and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he was a Fellow of his College. He was appointed Lecturer in Mathematics in 1891. He also became Assistant Director of the Cavendish Laboratory, and in 1896 was awarded the Jodrell Prize by the Cambridge Philosophical Society.

For years he was engaged on researches in various branches of physics which led to considerable progress in the understanding of the laws and properties of matter. In 1898-99 he was principal of University College, Liverpool, being then appointed Director of the National Physical Laboratory, a post which he filled with distinction for 20 years.

AVIATION RESEARCH

On the foundation in 1908, of the Aeronautical Research Committee as the advisory body on all aviation matters Glazebrook was made its chairman. In 1910 he was awarded the C.B. in 1917 was knighted and in 1920 received the additional honour of K.C.B. On his announcing his intention of retiring in April, 1933, the Royal Aeronautical Society, of which he was a Fellow, awarded him its gold medal. This, the Society's highest honour, had been awarded only six times previously.

Oxford, Edinburgh, Victoria and Heidelberg Universities conferred degrees on Sir Richard, the Royal Society, of which he was foreign secretary awarded him its Hughes Medal and he was a member of many scientific and technical bodies. He wrote a number of works on various branches of physics.

INTEREST ON A MORTGAGE

LAWYERS' SECURE JUDGMENT

The Hon. Sir William Shenton and Mr. M. T. Turner successfully brought an action against Choy Wai-hung, of the Hongkong Trading Co. (1931) Ltd., at the Summary Court this morning, claiming \$806.08, being interest due to them under a mortgage dated August 4, 1934.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, of Messrs. Deacons, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. C. E. R. Sanderson, of Messrs. Russ and Co., was for the defendant. Mr. Mackinlay said the claim was for interest due to plaintiffs under a mortgage for certain houses. The mortgage was made between one Lai Koon-chung on the one part and the plaintiffs on the other. The payment of interest in this transaction was guaranteed by the defendant under an agreement dated August 4, 1934. The interest was at \$40,000 at 6 1/2 per cent per annum from June to October this year.

Mr. W. C. Hung, solicitor of plaintiffs' firm, gave evidence regarding the mortgage and the guarantee by defendant in regard to the payment of interest.

For the defence, Mr. Sanderson said there was no dispute that the interest was in arrears or that his client was the guarantor. He submitted, however, that a guarantor was entitled to the return of certain securities after he had paid the interest. In the present case, his client had paid interest for a certain period, but the plaintiffs did not return to him the securities.

Giving judgment for the plaintiffs with costs, the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, said he was satisfied the plaintiffs had not been guilty of neglect in not returning the securities.

NEW ASSAULT ON EVEREST

BRITISH PARTY NOW CHOSEN

London, Dec. 16. The twelve members of the party which will make an attempt on Mount Everest next year have been chosen. The leader is Mr. Hugh Rutledge, and the party includes eight others, of whom Mr. E. S. Smythe is one who has already climbed once or more times on Everest.

The party have had the assistance of the Central Medical Establishment of the Royal Air Force in choosing candidates best fitted to the special conditions of an Everest attempt.—*British Wireless.*

The transport U.S.S. Henderson arrived last night from Manila for a short stay. This morning she fired 21 guns as a salute to the colony and a 17 gun salute to the C-in-C, the salute being returned by H.M.S. Tamar. The transports U.S.S. Mindanao and Tulsa are due here from Canton to-day and the transport U.S.S. Sacramento is due to-morrow from West River.

RADIO BROADCAST

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JAZZ PIANO RECITAL

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 365 metres (845 kilocycles):
7.47 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7.57 p.m. "Les Preudes"—Symphonie Poem (Liszt).
8.07 p.m. "Children's Overture" (Quilter).
8.17-8.40 p.m. From the Studio.
8.40-9.15 p.m. Two Tunes from "Hero's To Romance," coming to the Kings Theatre Shortly.

1. Midnight in Paris; 2. Hero's To Romance.
9.15-9.40 p.m. Four Songs by Nelson Eddy (Baritone).
1. Auf Wiedersehen (from "Blue Paradise"); 2. Love's Old Sweet Song (Molloy); 3. You are free ("Apple Blossom"); 4. When I grow too old to dream ("The Night is Young").

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.
8.05-8.30 p.m. From the Studio.
A Jazz Piano Recital by Bill Cameron.

8.30-9 p.m. From the Studio.
"A Tour of Inner Mongolia" by Professor L. Forster.
9.15 p.m. Davenport News Bulletin.

9.15-9.20 p.m. "Glamorous Night" sung by Mary Ellis (Soprano).
9.20-9.40 p.m. From the Studio.
A Pianoforte Recital by Liza Guravitch.

Programme.
1. Holberg Suite Grieg.
(a) Prælude.
(b) Gavotte.
(c) Rigodon.

2. March of the Dwarfs Grieg.
3. Grenada (Sonata) Albeniz.
9.40-10 p.m. Variety.
Xylophone Solo—Robin Harry.
Humorous—There's no one with endurance.

Vocal Duo—Waltin' at the Gate for Katy.
Layton and Johnstone.
Instrumental—Kohlan March.
Frank Ferner and John K. Paulini.
10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletins.

10.05-11 p.m. From the Studio.
Professor N. A. Tonoff and his Tango Orchestra.
11 p.m. Close Down.

ZEESON PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcast From
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Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeeson as follows:

SOUTH ASIA ZONE
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DJN 19.74 m. 12.20 to 12.30 p.m.
DJN 19.74 m. 12.30 to 12.40 p.m.
DJN 19.74 m. 12.40 to 12.50 p.m.
DJN 19.74 m. 12.50 to 1.00 p.m.

4.45 p.m. Call DJB, DJN (German, English, German Folk Song, French Programme Forecast, German).
5 p.m. Hitler Youth Programme: Folk Song Singing by the Hitler Youth. Sing Singing by the Hitler Youth. Sing Singing by the Hitler Youth.

5.15 p.m. From the Studio: German Composers of the 18th Century.
5.30 p.m. News in English.
5.45 p.m. Christmas Poems: Kate Gold.
6 p.m. Old German Festival Tunes and Dances.

6.45 p.m. News in German.
7 p.m. Concert of Light Music.
8 p.m. News in English.
8.15 p.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German, English).

EAST ASIA ZONE
East Asia Zone broadcast through DJQ on 15.85 metres (19,250 k.c.) 1.30-3 p.m. Concert.
9 p.m. Call DJA, DJB, DJN (German, English, German Folk Song, French Programme Forecast, German, English).

9.15 p.m. Hitler Youth Programme: Folk Song Singing by the Hitler Youth. Sing Singing by the Hitler Youth. Sing Singing by the Hitler Youth.
9.25 p.m. Technical Letter Box.
9.30 p.m. From the Studio: German Composers of the 18th Century.

9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.
10 p.m. Concert of Light Music.
11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA, DJB, DJN.

11.30 p.m. Day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
11.45 p.m. String Quartet in E flat major, Op. 74 by Ludwig van Beethoven.
12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.
12.30 a.m. Close down DJA, DJB and DJN (German, English).

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES
To-day's Broadcasting From
Four Transmissions

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are observed by Daventry.

Call Sign	Frequency	Wavelength
GSA	4,510 k.c.	66.5 metres
GSD	9,810 k.c.	30.5 metres
GSC	9,885 k.c.	30.3 metres
GSP	11,750 k.c.	25.5 metres
GSE	11,865 k.c.	25.2 metres
GSR	15,140 k.c.	19.8 metres
GSH	17,700 k.c.	16.8 metres
GSI	21,470 k.c.	13.7 metres
GSL	22,260 k.c.	13.4 metres
GSL	22,260 k.c.	13.4 metres
GSL	22,260 k.c.	13.4 metres

Transmission 5.
(G.S.A. and G.S.C.)
7 a.m. Big Ben. A Short Pianoforte Recital by Sir Walter Damrosch.
7.10 a.m. Talk: "Music and the Ordinary Listener." Sir Walter Damrosch.
7.30 a.m. Old Favorites. The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra.
Greenwich Time Signal at 8 a.m.
8.15 a.m. "Wanted for Murder."
8.30 a.m. Dance Music.
8.45 a.m. The News.
9 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 6
(G.S.C. and G.S.L.)
11 a.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
11.15 a.m. "High Spirits"—No. 5: Mooride Edge.
Greenwich Time Signal at 11.30 a.m.
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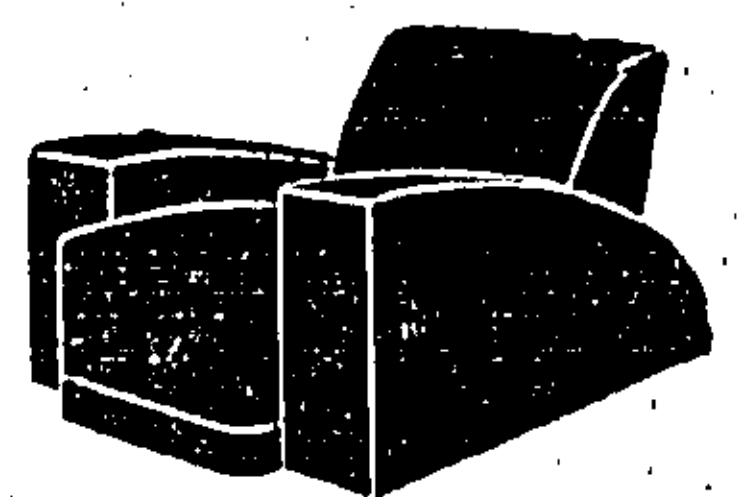
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CANTON PLANE

DAMAGE ON MAKING
FORCED LANDING

No. 67. Training Machine of the Canton Air Force was forced to land near the South-West bridge at Shamau yesterday afternoon while carrying out daily training. The plane was slightly damaged and the pilot unhurt. A party of soldiers has been despatched to the scene to guard the plane.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*



IF YOU
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BAD LIGHT: GOOD DECLARATIONS: POOR WICKETS

REVELATIONS OF THE WEEK-END CRICKET

PET THEORIES PROVED DRAWING STUMPS TIME MAKES CRICKET FARICAL

(By R. ABBIT)

There was a very good game between the Army and the Club on Saturday last and it illustrated three of my pet theories: one, that if you want to win, and would just as soon lose as draw, then put the other fellow in to bat; another you cannot afford to go on batting when you have got 175 on the board unless your aim is not to run the slightest chance of defeat, rather than to win the game; and finally that the idea of playing until 5.45 p.m. in December is turning the closing stages of the game into a farce.

Walch won the toss against the Club and as the Army have already lost two matches nothing is worth anything to them but outright victories. He put his opponents in the very properly 1 consider—in the hope of a collapse—not very likely—or of putting the onus of the early declaration on them.

Then Hayward had the decision to make. He batted, I am told, until ten minutes to four, thus giving the Army as long to bat as the Club had had. But it also meant that he only gave himself that time in which to dispose of the whole Army side—while the Club had only lost four wickets.

I do not mean to say that I think it was a bad decision but I do think it was a bad decision. A declaration twenty five runs earlier might have cost him the match but I fancy the chance was very small for the Army batting is not good at present. But the extra minute would have been invaluable. As it was the Army thanks to a fine first wicket stand by Bonavia and Williams and a rear-guard action by Walch and Garthwaite clawed off a lee shore and saved the game.

ABOUT THE LIGHT

And now as regards the light. The Army captain told me that he went in at ten past five and was out at five twenty-five. During the last quarter of an hour he said he could hardly see the ball at all and as cricket went on for twenty minutes it is obvious how farcical the situation was.

The game started in a way that suggested a collapse might come. Hayward covered Garthwaite's fourth ball beautifully along the car-pet to the boundary and was yanked by a swinger next ball. Shortly after the same bowler tried his patent leg break which stuck in his hand and Duckitt, playing it after the second bounce, cut it hard into his stumps. It is a long time since I have seen a dumper get a wicket.

But then Pearce after surviving two or three uncomfortable overs from Ballard, who bowled very well without luck, stopped the rot and proceeded to play a lovely innings, of which the chief feature was his delightful full driving through the covers while Pearce kept them down. Gillespie went in for some very straight and lofty driving. I learn that he lifted one ball into the first floor verandah of the Club. I personally have never seen it done though I've seen the Registrar's window broken by Ginger Dale.

With a nominal hour and three quarters to bat the opening Army

INDIANS MAKE NO MISTAKE

The I.R.C. skipper apparently agrees with me about the declaration. He closed the innings at 177 and that although there was always the chance of Brannell getting really going and of the Navy winning the match, as a matter of fact Brannell did get going. But the I.R.C. won by 48 runs. No one save Davenport, who seems to have a fine defence, gave him the slightest support.

The Indians were the far better side. A. H. Madar came off very nicely and A. S. Saffad is developing into one of the best opening batsmen in the Colony. He will bear watching in the future. This victory places the I.R.C. in a very strong position in their bid for the Shield and the Club will have to go all out to win.

It was very pleasant to see both our first class batsmen, who have had not too good a season so far generally, come off—curiously enough both on the same day. Perhaps, like violets in Peak gardens they do better in cold weather.

SECOND DIVISION

Most of the Second Division games went as anticipated. The I.R.C. easily beat the Navy, and K.C.C. beat the Civil Service who did by no means badly against rather a strong side. It seems George Lee does not like going on to bowl first as he failed to get a wicket. The Police were too strong for the Recreation, though Soares did well for the Kowloon team.

KWOK AND SMITH LOSE RECORD

FIRST BADMINTON REVERSE OF THE SEASON

F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith, St. John's No. 1 badminton pair lost a fine record last night against the Recreation "A". Up to that match they had won all nine games in which they appeared together and had scored 189 aces against 62. But they lost three games to Recreation, and their present figures read: Games played 12, won 9, lost 3, aces for 222, against 132. There are now only five couples who, having played more than one match of three games have scored 100 per cent. figures. G. A. White and S. A. Gray of Kowloon Tong have rather striking figures. Although only winning five out of 18 games, they have scored 298 aces (average of 16 per game) and conceded 341 aces (average 18).

Australians In Strong Position

HIT UP 280 FOR 4

Durban, Dec. 16.

The Australians were building up a commanding position at the close of the second day's play in the Test match with South Africa here today. In response to South Africa's first innings of 234 the Australians hit up 280 for the loss of four wickets.

Stanley McCabe, brilliant all-rounder carried off the chief honours with a knock of 149. W. A. Brown assisted with a useful 60 and L. Darling ended the day with 51 not out.

The Australians thus lead by 32 runs and have six wickets in hand.—*Reuter.*

Lord Hawke & George Gunn On l.b.w. Rule

"Though the Australian Cricket Board of Control have refused to give the new l.b.w. rule a trial during their South African tour, I intend to try again to persuade them to adopt it," said Lord Hawke to the *Sunday Dispatch*.

"Bradman and Richardson, the Australian players, are in favour of the new rule."

It provides that a batsman who plays the ball to a ball pitched outside the off stump, that would in normal course hit the wicket, should be given 'out'. "Ninety per cent. of cricketers favour the new l.b.w. rule, and sooner or later its application must be general," Lord Hawke declared. He is making personal and unofficial efforts to persuade the Australian Board of Control to alter its decision not to adopt the rule.

"When the Australians next come to England they will be asked to recognise the rule. If it is finally agreed upon," Lord Hawke added, "We can't have one rule one year and another the next."

"The majority of people want the new rule. I believe some Australian teams are observing it."

"By the end of next year the rule will probably be uniform." George Gunn, famous ex-England and Nottingham batsman, commented to the *Sunday Dispatch*.

"I do not think that 90 per cent. of players favour the new rule. I believe that it gives the bowlers far too many advantages and the umpires too much rope."

Louis May Have Influence On Racial Feelings

BOXER'S ACHIEVEMENTS TO RETARD IMPROVED RELATIONSHIP?

New York, Dec. 15. Unless Joe Louis' triumph march toward the world's heavyweight boxing championship is unexpectedly halted, he will become the best-known Negro of his generation. And he will probably try the gradually improving relations between the sixteen million blacks and 115 million whites who inhabit the United States.

When Jack Johnson was world champion two decades ago, there was much talk of "getting the title back for the white race," and race riots were not infrequent whenever Johnson fought.

Racial relations have appeared more amicable in recent years, and the

BADMINTON

TAIKOO'S FIRST WIN OF SEASON

EASILY BEAT A DISAPPOINTING KOWLOON TONG TEAM

RECREIO "A" PILE ON POINTS

While Recreation "A" were maintaining their 100 per cent. record against St. John's, Tarkoo were recording their first win of the season in the men's doubles division of the badminton league last night.

Tarkoo obtained this at the expense of Kowloon Tong, and in a much easier fashion than anticipated. Kowloon Tong's cause was not helped by the absence of Chan and B. K. Wong, two of their regular players and with White and Gray, disappointing and losing two games, the Recreation Club finally collected the league points by seven games to two.

Tarkoo were well served by their first two couples who exploited the high lobbing game to some advantage, luring the visitors into "fanning". Summers and Stanton were prominent for some sound base court work and on the evening's play Tarkoo thoroughly deserved to win.

MINCEMEAT

Recreation "A" made mince-meat of St. John's, winning all nine games at stake. Frank Kwok and Smith alone offered any opposition.

Recreation were without the services of Oliveira, but it was nice to see Dick Alves back on the court again after an enforced absence. Alves has been under doctor's orders and was warned off strenuous exercise such as badminton for a month.

St. John's introduced a new couple in H. P. Blake and L. V. Catt who were rather outplayed by the experienced Portuguese pairs.

SCORES

RECREIO "A" v. ST. JOHN'S

L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreation "A") beat F. H. Kwok and G. A. Smith 21-3; beat R. Koh and D. Kwok 21-4; beat H. P. Blake and L. V. Catt 21-3.

E. de Sousa and H. A. Alves (Recreation "A") beat Kwok and Smith 21-13; beat Koh and Kwok 21-14; beat Blake and Catt 21-17; beat J. J. Mendes and J. Ribeiro, Jr. (Recreation "A") beat Kwok and Smith 21-17; beat Koh and Kwok 21-6; beat Blake and Catt 21-3.

TAIKOO v. KOWLOON TONG

T. Stanton and H. Routledge (Taikoo) beat S. A. Gray and G. A. White 21-17; beat P. Leung and J. M. Pong 21-14; beat K. K. Wong and H. Mok 21-4.

C. Summers and A. W. Norrie (Taikoo) beat Gray and White 21-21; beat Leung and Pong 21-13; beat Wong and Mok 21-3.

J. Dovey and J. Gatmell (Taikoo) lost to Gray and White 6-21; lost to Leung and Wong 12-21; beat Wong and Mok 21-1.

LATEST LEAGUE TABLE

		GAMES	P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
St. Andrew's "A"	4	4	0 32 4 8
Recreation "B"	5	4	1 33 5 8
Recreation "A"	4	4	0 31 5 8
C.I.C.	4	3	1 26 10 6
St. John's	6	3	3 23 3 6
Fire Brigade	4	3	1 18 18 6
St. Andrew's "B"	4	2	2 15 21 4
V.R.C.	4	1	3 11 25 2
S. and S. Home	4	0	4 12 24 0
Taikoo R.C.	5	1	4 14 31 2
Kowloon Tong	5	0	5 10 44 0
Eliot Hall "A"	0	0	0 0 0 0
Eliot Hall "B"	0	0	0 0 0 0

BADMINTON HINTS

THE SMASH AND THE LOB

NO. 3

The four strokes in badminton are the smash, the lob or clear, the drive, and the drop shot.

The smash is the chief attacking stroke. Play it as already described for the overhead stroke. Lean well back as you swing your racket behind you so that all your weight can come forward on to the left foot as you hit the shuttle, thus giving force to the stroke.

Follow through freely. Your racket should finish up close to the floor, unless it would hit the net on its way, in which case, of course, the follow through must be checked.

MORE WRIST ACTION

Face and placing are important. Try always to beat the shuttle down out of your opponent's reach. To do this you must be able to smash it down close to the net or near the back line. Strong wrist action is required to smash close to the net.

In the backhand smash the wrist and forearm do most of the work. This shot is, of course, not so effective as the forehand smash, for your weight cannot be used to the same advantage; so try to anticipate your opponent's intentions and spring into the position to return his, or hers, shot with a forehand smash in preference to a backhand one.

The lob, or clear, is your principal defensive stroke. Your aim here is to keep a good length. The shuttle should, as a rule, drop just within the back line. A lob which falls within your opponent's reach spells disaster to you, for he will surely smash it back.

Think hard when you are about to lob and make full use of the opportunities it gives you. If you want time to get back into a good position for your next return send a high lob. If your opponent is up at the net and your aim is to prevent him from making a return, lob low and, of course, to the back of the court, but not low enough for him to intercept the shuttle in its flight.

Note that even if you are drawn up to the net it is possible to play a good-length lob, thanks to the shape of the shuttle.

LOCAL YACHTING

Last Race Of Ladies' Championship

Yesterday saw the last race of the Ladies' Championship series over a course of 6.2 miles.

Joss, winner in the "A" class, and Rolla sailed by Miss B. M. Kirke in the "H" class, while Robena, with Miss H. Gerrard at the helm was winner in the "I," "J" and "G" classes.

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OXFORD UNIVERSITY'S RUGBY DEFEAT

13-8 BY EDINBURGH

Oxford University rugby fifteen continued their Scottish tour today when they were entertained by Edinburgh. The University, however, proved no match for their hosts and were beaten by 13 points to 8. On Saturday last Oxford overcame Glasgow Academicals.—*Reuter.*

World's Best Squash Rackets Player

London, Dec. 16. The Egyptian, Amr Bey, captain of the British Squash Rackets team which recently defeated the American contingent, today won the Amateur Squash Rackets Championship of England at the Bath Club, London, for the fourth time.

He defeated E. Snell, 1932 runner-up, in the final by 9/11 9/9/11 in under 20 minutes.

Snell, who is very nearly the best English Amateur player was completely outclassed by the most brilliant player the world has ever seen.—*Reuter.*

INTERNATIONAL CUP FOOTBALL

Scotland's 13 Players For Christmas Day

Scotland have thirteen players at their disposal for the International Charity Cup football match against China on Christmas Day, but it does not seem likely they will be in a position to turn out a very strong side.

Anyhow here are the players from which the final team will be selected. Rodger (Club), Blackburn (Police), Hill (Club), Gilchrist (Club), Gorman (East Lancs), Knight (R.A.), McLeavy (East Lancs), Matthews (R.A.), D. Knox (Kowloon), Howlett (R.F.), G. Duncan (Club), W. Knox (Kowloon), Bell (Club).

F.A. CUP DRAW ANALYSED

Few South v. North Clashes

LONDON CLUBS FAVOURD

(By "Veritas").

One of the most interesting features of the draw for the third round of the F.A. Cup, made in London yesterday is the comparatively few clashes between northern and southern clubs. Out of the 32 games which will be played on January 11, only eight bring north and south teams together.

In each case the northerners have the advantage of playing at home. On the other hand if Reading beat Chester in the replay they will be at home to Manchester United.

The Cup holders, Sheffield Wednesday are to play on foreign soil being due to visit Crew, but West Bromwich, last year's runners-up are more fortunate and have a home match against Hull City, which should ensure an easy passage into the next round.

London clubs have fared reasonably well. Of the "Big Three," both the Arsenal and Chelsea have to travel, the former either to Oldham or Bristol, and the Pensioners to Norwich. Neither task, however, should be beyond them.

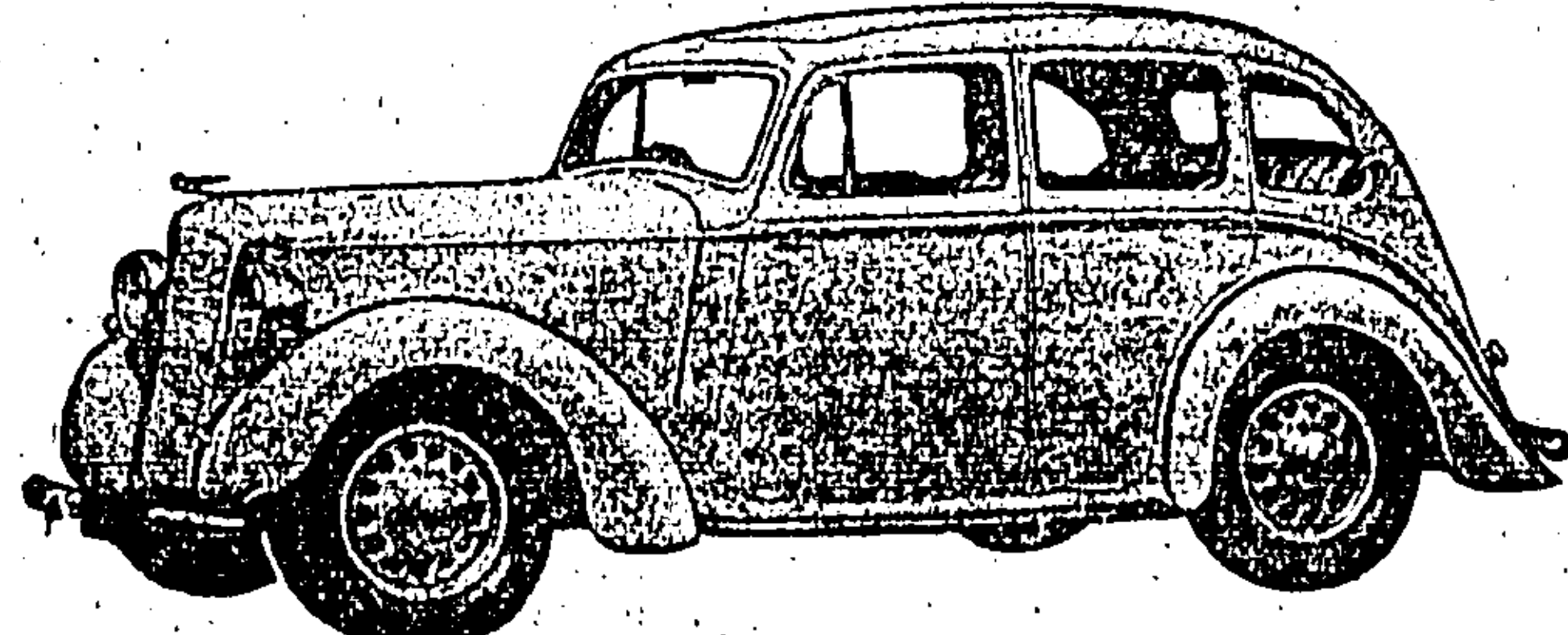
Brentford also have to do some travelling, Leicester being their destination. The "Bees" cannot afford to be over-optimistic about this.

FAVOURD LONDONERS

The rest of the London teams have been favoured. The Spurs are at White Hart Lane to Southend—this should be easy meat; Clapton Orient entertain Charlton, Fulham will receive either Scarborough or Brighton (they should beat either team); West Ham are hosts to Luton (another win indicated) and Millwall are before their own supporters against Stoke.

Those two gallant Southern League teams, Dartford and Margate have been harshly treated by the draw, and try conclusions with the County, and Margate must travel to Blackpool. Dartford's elimination appears to be well nigh inevitable, but in view of Margate's rattling fine showing against Crystal Palace, they may force a replay against Blackpool.

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BASEBALL BARTERING BEGINS

MANY IMPORTANT CHANGES IN PERSONNEL EXPECTED

BIG MEETING IN PROCESS

New York, Dec. 15.

Numerous shifts in major league players, including possibly the biggest single cash player transaction ever made in baseball, are forecast during the major league meetings and winter trading season.

At the major league meetings in Chicago starting this month all the major league clubs, including even the two pennant winners, are expected to engage in wholesale bartering. The World Champion Detroit Tigers will not stand pat and already have a deal on the fire with Washington. Outfielder Gerald Walker, believed on his way to the Senators for either outfielder Fred Schulte or Heinie Manush and cash.

The Washington-Detroit deal, however, may be contingent on whether the Chicago White Sox decide to place outfielder Al Simmons on the market. If the White Sox dispose of Simmons, who experienced the worst batting slump of his career last season, probably he will land with Detroit and his former Athletic teammate, Mickey Cochrane.

The Tigers need outfield strength to plug the gap in left field where Goose Goslin, a world series hero, is not likely to stand up over the 164-game grind. Goslin, however, has been termed "through" before and proved his critics wrong.

TO STAND PAT?

Charlie Grimm, manager of the Chicago Cubs, has announced that he will stand pat on his national league championship squad, but it is doubtful if Grimm will stick to that decision. The Cubs have discussed Tompkins Martin with the St. Louis Cardinals. The New York Giants are also after Martin. The Cubs might outbid the Giants to get him to keep from seeing a rival team strengthened. Martin, an experienced hustling player, would be just the balance wheel the Cubs "Kid Team" needs. He would be played in centre field.

Chuck Klein, the erstwhile national league batting champion, and Woody English, captain and utility infielder, may be sent elsewhere from the Cubs. Klein failed to help the Cubs after a thorough trial, although he did come through in the series, and Woody English is too valuable an infielder to be kept on the bench, and may ask for a transfer.

The deal that may startle the baseball world is brewing between the Boston Red Sox and Philadelphia Athletics. Tom Yawkey, keenly disappointed over the failure of his Red Sox to finish higher than fourth, asked Connie Mack to quote him a price on six players: Fox, Cramer, Mareum, Moses, McNair and Higgins. "The price tag on those six is \$500,000," replied Mack.

Yawkey was merely playing poker with the venerable leader of the Athletics. He wants two or three of Mack's stars but hasn't yet come out in the open and said which ones they are. Jimmy Fox, probably is the player he wants most. Cramer, the classy outfielder—is another. Fox and Cramer probably would bring \$250,000 in the open market.

YANKEES ALSO INTERESTED

The New York Yankees also are highly interested in Cramer, who may wind up being the most sought after player in the American League. Outfielder Ben Chapman is in bad with the Yankee Stadium fans and is likely to go elsewhere, probably to Washington or the Red Sox. Buddy Myer also has McCarthy's eye as a replacement for the aging Tony Lazzeri.

Cleveland still has its eye on catcher Rollie Hemisley of the St. Louis Browns. Many smart baseball men believe the Indians would have won the pennant last season if they had bought Hemisley when Rogers Hornsby offered him to them for about \$50,000. Hornsby, figuring the Browns are likely to go places this season, may raise the price on Hemisley if the Indians price him again.

Important changes are certain to be made in the Cardinals and Giants. Both teams are seeking new blood. The Giants especially grew very weary during September. Bill Terry wants to retire if he can get Rip Collins from the Red Sox, or Dolf Camilli from the Phillies. The Cards continue to say that Collins is not for sale or trade, but the St. Louis policy

under Sam Breadon has been to sell anybody if the price was right. The Giants may make the price right. Brooklyn is expected to make numerous changes. One report has it that Van Mungo, Dodgers' pitching ace, will go to the Cardinals in a surprise deal. The Cincinnati Reds will make an effort to get first baseman Sam Leslie and infielder Joe Stripp from Brooklyn.

The Boston Braves are expected to get considerable new capital in their reorganization plans and, if they do, will make an effort to rebuild the club by buying several outstanding players from other National League Clubs.

BILLIARDS

Local Championships Being Organised

Billiards is one of the most popular local indoor pastimes, and the efforts of the newly formed Hongkong Amateur Billiards Association to promote organised competitions are meeting with the desired support.

Following closely upon the drafting of a constitution and the running of the Association, the committee is now making every endeavour to organise an annual championship, both for senior and junior players. It is the intention of the organisers to promote the tournaments immediately after the festive holidays and, as has already been announced, entries will close on Friday next.

Those who intend competing are advised to obtain the necessary forms from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. N. M. Rakusen.

The Senior Championship will be open to all comers, while the junior event will be confined to those players who have not made more than two breaks of over 60.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 13	Dec. 16
Paris	74.31/64	74.33/04
Geneva	15.15	15.16 1/4
Berlin	12.24	12.25
Athens	519	519
Shanghai	1/2 1/4	1/2 1/4
New York	4.02 13/16	4.02 1/2
Amsterdam	7.27	7.27 1/4
Vienna	20 1/2	20 1/2
Prague	118 1/2	118 1/2
Bucharest	630	605
Madrid	36.31/32	36.31/32
Lisbon	110 1/4	110 1/4
Brussels	23 1/4	23 1/4
Monte Video	39 1/2	39 1/2
Belgrade	216	216
Montreal	4.06 1/2	4.06 1/2
Yokohama	1/2 1/32	1/2 1/32
Helsingfors	226 1/2	226 1/2
Rio	4 1/4	4 1/4
Buenos Aires	15	15
Oslo	—	—
Silver (Spot)	26.7/16	26
Silver forward	—	—
War Loan	100 1/4	105 1/4

ROBBERY REPORT

WOMAN ATTACKED NEAR GARDEN ROAD

A highway robbery with violence was reported to the Police last night by Ching Wai-chan, 34, spinster, who stated that whilst she was walking along Queen's Road Central, near Garden Road, at 8.35 p.m., she was robbed of a gold finger ring worth \$10 and a chromium wrist watch.

In her report to the Police, the woman stated that two persons committed the robbery. One was a man dressed in a long Chinese coat, and the other a woman with bobbed hair. She said that after the robbery, the man and woman ran off in the direction of Wan-chai.

A description of the two persons has been given to the Police.

F. A. Cup Draw Analysed

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On the whole that draw is barren of the customary number of "hot" ties, and it seems we shall have to wait until the fourth round draw to get some thrilling and highly speculative encounters.

Manchester City v. Portsmouth.
Everton v. Preston.
Bradford City v. Bournemouth.
Crewe v. Sheffield Wednesday.
Tottenham Hotspur v. Southend.
West Ham v. Luton.
Liverpool v. Swansea.
Orient v. Charlton.
Norwich v. Chelsea.
Derby v. Dartford.
Hull v. Hartlepool v. Grimsby.
Middlesbrough v. Southampton.
Stockport v. Plymouth.
Wolverhampton v. Leeds.
Leicester v. Brentford.
Chester or Reading v. Manchester United.
Chesterfield or Walsall v. Newcastle.
Notts County v. Tranmere.
Doncaster v. Notts Forest.
Oldham or Bristol Rovers v. Arsenal.
Aston Villa v. Huddersfield.
Burnley v. Sheffield United.
Sunderland v. Port Vale.
Fulham v. Scarborough or Brighton.
Millwall v. Stoke.
Darlington v. Bury.
West Bromwich v. Hull.
Southall v. Rotherham or Watford.
Bradford v. Worthington.
Barnsley v. Birmingham.
Blackburn v. Bolton.
Blackpool v. Margate.—*Reuter.*

SERVICES GOLF CONTEST

EX-SERVICES DEFEAT THE COMBINED SERVICES

The following is the result of the golf match played at Fanling on Sunday between the Ex-Services and Combined Services, the former winning by 17 points to 7.

	Points.	Ex-Ser. Services
Singles		
A. E. Lissaman v. Major Shannon 1 up	1	1
D. S. Edward v. Col. Blake 2 & 1	1	1
R. Young v. Lt. Comdr. Broome 1 up	1	1
D. Newton v. Capt. Trimble 1 up	1	1
E. J. R. Mitchell v. Capt. Mitchell 3 & 1	1	1
D. R. Walker v. Comdr. Branks 2 up	1	1
W. J. S. Kby v. Lt. Comdr. Barry 3 & 1	1	1
D. W. McEwen v. Capt. Law, R. N. Law 3 & 1	1	1
A. Sommerfelt v. Lt. Col. Williamson 1 up	1	1
G. Marselle v. Major Wren 4 & 2	1	1
D. Fraser v. Comdr. Haines 3 & 2	1	1
Dr. Valentine v. Comdr. Hussey 7 & 6	1	1
R. L. Moncrieff v. Lt. Back-Beresford 2 & 1	1	1
J. S. Dykes v. Lt. Kemphorne 1 up	1	1
R. K. Valentine v. Comdr. Howland 7 & 5	1	1
R. S. Harrison v. Lt. Fraser 2 up	1	1
	11	5
FOUR BALLS		
Lissaman & Edward v. Maj. Shannon & Col. Blake 1 up	1	1
Young & Newton v. Broome & Trimble 3 & 1	1	1
Mitchell & Walker v. Mitchell & Branks 1 up	1	1
Key & McEwen v. Law & Barry 4 & 3	1	1
Sommerfelt & Marselle v. Williamson & Wren 4 & 3	1	1
Fraser & Valentine (D.J.) v. Haines & Hussey 1 down	1	1
Moncrieff & Dykes v. Kemphorne & Back-Beresford 5 & 4	1	1
Valentine (R.K.) & Harrison v. Rowland & Fraser 7 & 5	1	1
	17	7

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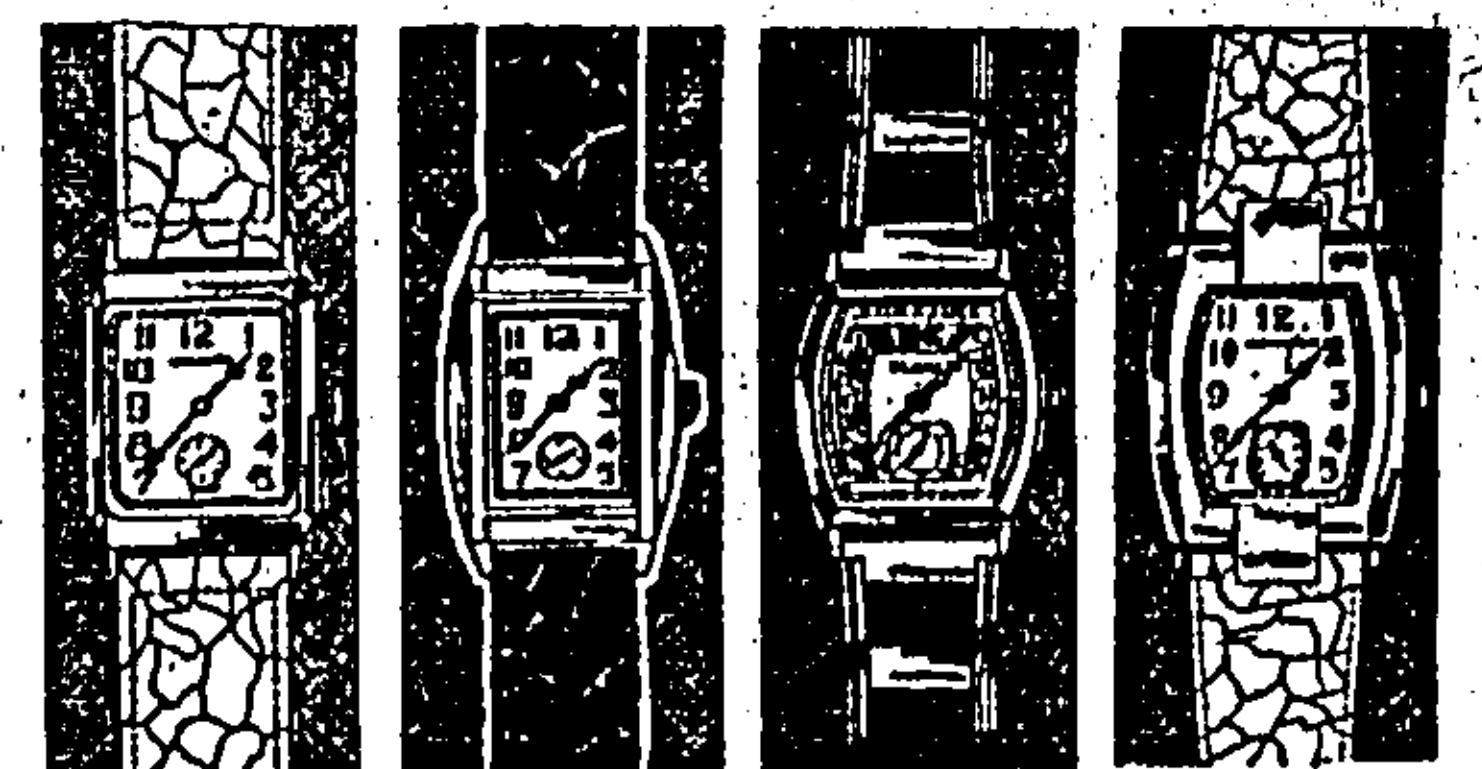
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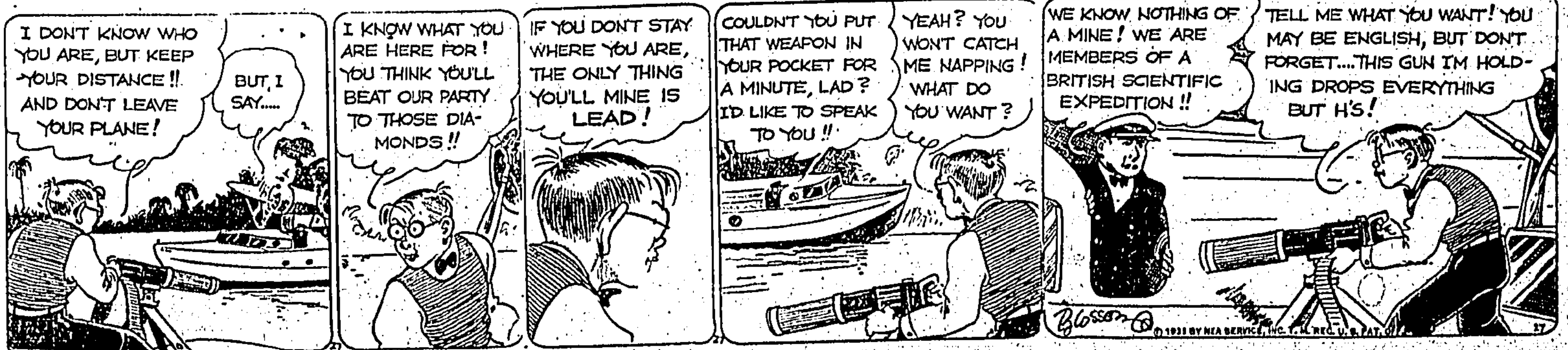
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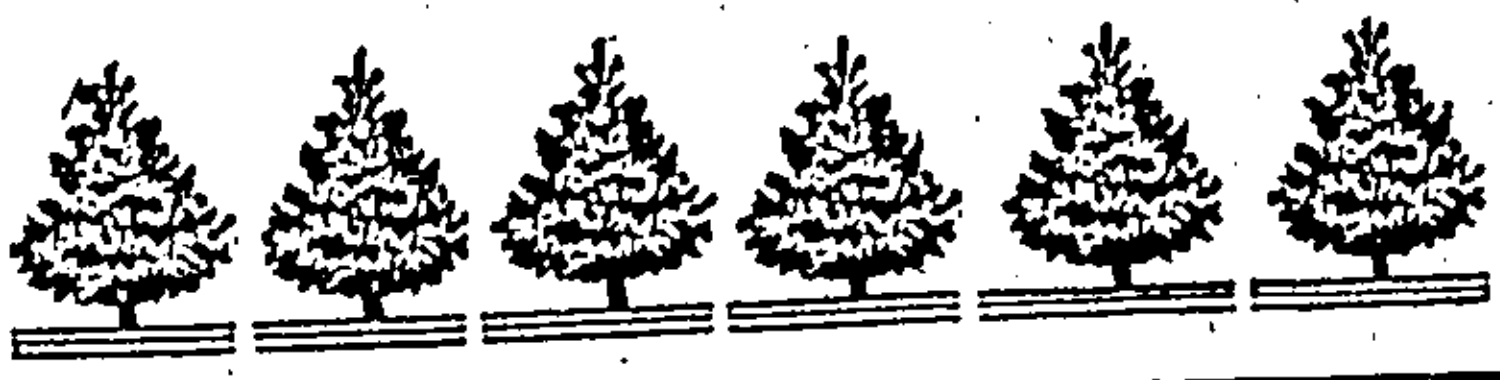
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Sitting for the first time as Puisane Judge, Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden yesterday adjudicated on an unusual claim for damages arising from the fall of an advertisement hoarding.

Mr. Justice Hayden succeeds Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, who in Acting Chief Justice during the absence on Home leave of Sir Alholl MacGregor. Yesterday's claims were brought separately by Liu Hoi-no and Lui Hoi-lan, two little sisters living at 733, Nathan Road, through Lui Pong-pun, the father as "next friend," and by the girls' amah, Choi Sing-hing. The claims were for \$1,000 damages in respect of injuries received when a large hoarding at the junction of Nathan and Prince Edward Roads was blown down on them as they were passing along the pavement early on the morning of September 17.

Defendants were Millington Ltd., of No. 5, Queen's Road Central, who were alleged negligently, and in breach of their duty, to have failed to keep the hoarding in a reasonable state of safety.

Kept in Hospital

Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grint, appeared for plaintiffs, and Mr. F. G. Nigel, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, represented defendants.

For the plaintiffs it was stated that the amah was taking the girls to school and they were passing in front of the hoarding when it toppled over on all three of them, causing various and severe injuries. The legal liability was admitted, and only the assessment of damages was now in dispute.

A police constable's report was handed to his Lordship together with a report from Messrs. Leigh and Orange, architects.

Mr. Hugh-Jones said the three plaintiffs were admitted to hospital immediately after the accident. The girl Lan was discharged after two days; her sister after 66 days; and the amah was still in hospital.

Evidence was given by Dr. G. H. Henry, Assistant Medical Officer at Kowloon Hospital.

He said the girl No was aged five years. She had a clean fracture of the left thigh which was set and mended satisfactorily. There was, however, a shortening of the leg by half an inch, but this might disappear as she grew older. There was no permanent injury.

Her sister Lan complained of a pain at the back of her neck when she was brought in and there were abrasions on the head. She was kept in white x-ray photographs were taken, and was discharged as quite fit after three days.

Amah's Injuries

The amah's injuries were serious. She has a compound fracture of the

fibula and tibia at the ankle joint, and the tendons were exposed. She had a discoloured eye and a crack in one cheek bone. The foot wound turned septic and at one time there was a grave fear that the foot would have to be amputated. The amah was under anaesthetic several times for operations and dressings, but the ankle was successfully drained and set. The foot was put in plaster and the amah was able to walk round the house on December 7. She could have been discharged then, but said she had nowhere to go. It was thought that the setting was good, but he could not say whether or no there would be a permanent effect until the plaster was removed.

The hospital charge for the adult was 50 cents a day and for the children, 25 cents each per day.

Cross-examined, witness said the cheek injury was not serious. The amah could walk without a crutch and could go round the house easily, but she could not do her old job of taking children to school through the streets safely.

Mr. Hugh-Jones said the injury to Liu Hoi-no was not serious, but was found to shock such a young girl. The amah's wounds were very serious and had resulted in several operations and anaesthetics.

Evidence on Means

Mr. Nigel said that he had expected that evidence of the means and manner of livelihood of the plaintiffs would be called, as his Lordship could not assess the damages without such information.

The father was called to give evidence at his Lordship's suggestion. He said he was manager of the Fook Hing Ice Factory and earned \$20 a month. He had had the job since August. He denied that he told Miss Kelly, the manager of the defendant firm, that he had been out of work from May to September, but he had been off work for a total period of two years. His wife had a hair-dressing shop. The amah used to cost about \$10 a month in food and lodging and he used to pay her \$4. She also used to assist his wife in her business and had been with them for about a year.

Mr. Nigel submitted that on this evidence the claims for damages were grossly unreasonable. The father should not profit by the injury to his children. The idea in assessing damages was to give them back what had been lost and not to provide a dowry for the daughters. The claim for the amah, if allowed, would supply her with wages at the rate of \$4 a month for 250 months and make her an heiress.

Mr. Hugh-Jones said he would agree that the special damages should be the hospital expenses.

His Lordship gave judgment for Liu Hoi-no, special damages of \$100; Lui Hoi-lan, special damages of 50 cents, general damages of \$20; Choi Sing-hing, special damages of \$45, general damages of \$300.

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The Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club will present the grand Pantomime, "Dick Whittington and His Cat" in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon, at 9 p.m. The performance will be repeated on Thursday and Saturday nights and matinees will be given on Friday at 5.30 p.m. and on Saturday at 3.30 p.m.

Last night's dress rehearsal gave every promise of a bright show. The atmosphere has been localised and there are several modern songs, such as "Blue Moon," "I'm in the Mood for Love" and "The Lady in Red," all sung by Audrey Steel who appears in the title role of Dick Whittington, with Bob Selk as Tom, his cat.

Other leading character roles are taken by Noreen Cooper, W. Robertson, Oscar Eager, William Simpson, Lillian St. Aubyn, Sharpham, and Donald K. Paul. Frank Angus, Dan Wilson, Reggie Wood, Willie Forsyth, Bob Bates, Bill Muir, Frank Anslow, Sydney Tremlett, Theo Ingram, John Luke and Wilfred Childlow are also in the cast.

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THEATRES**

Rah! Rah! Team! Team! It isn't the hero making a touchdown. It isn't the hero swatting a home run. It's simply two gentlemen, who answer to the names of Arthur Johnston and Gus Kahn, who are their own very special type of team. And they get plenty of cheers, and fame, and glory. Johnston and Kahn are, what is known on Broadway and in Hollywood, as a song-writing team—and one of the few really crack teams now composing for motion pictures. Their latest efforts are in the Columbia film musical comedy, "The Girl Friend", showing at the Alhambra from Thursday. Ann Sothern and Jack Haley are co-starring, with Roger Pryor featured. Between them they sing and dance the various numbers composed by Johnston and Kahn. Of the quartette of numbers written, "Two Together" will undoubtedly sweep the country because of its romantic appeal. Comedy lovers will enjoy the humour of "What Is This Power," "Napoleon's Exile" and "Welcome to Napoleon." Johnston is responsible for the music of such hits as "Just One More Chance," "Learn to Croon," and "Cocktails for Two." Kahn has written the lyrics for many hits, including the sensational "One Night of Love," "Love Me Forever" and "Carlioca."

"People Will Talk"

"People Will Talk," which is the next attraction at the Queen's Theatre, brings Charlie Ruggles and Mary Boland back to the screen in one of the pleasantest and funniest pictures they've ever made—a picture that runs the whole gamut of laughter from out-and-out burlesque to subtle and amusing farce. Set in a suburban community, "People Will Talk" tells of Ruggles' and Boland's attempt to straighten out the marital affairs of their daughter and son-in-law by staging a mock battle royal themselves, with the idea of showing the younger couple how silly it all is. But Miss Boland forgets it's all in fun and begins resenting her husband's enthusiasm for his new role and trouble begins. It swells when neighbours misinterpret Ruggles' perfectly innocent friendship with another woman, and it reaches a climax at a wrestling bout where Charlie, as a referee, gets into a terrific tangle. Order is finally restored after a near-riot and fake kidnapping, but at that time there are more audience laughs clocked up than on a picture in many a month. Miss Boland and Ruggles are, of course, superb. Leila Hyams plays the daughter with grace and charm, humour and Dean Jagger gives a grand performance as the son-in-law.

"Diamond Jim"

"Diamond Jim," the glittering screen play based on the life of James Buchanan Brady, first of the super-salesmen, the man who made the gay "millionaire" way, will open on Wednesday at the King's Theatre. "Diamond Jim" is the man who won \$2,000,000 in jewels, who offered Lillian Russell \$1,000,000 to marry him, who made a fortune of \$12,000,000 from a start of \$51, and who gave millions to charity and friends and steel cars to America. You'll see Edward Arnold, of "Sadie McKee" fame, as "Diamond Jim," Jean Arthur, beautiful Binnie Barnes as "Lillian Russell," Cesar Romero, Hugh O'Connell, George Sidney, Eric Blore, Robert McWade and a host of others including Bill Hoolahan as John L. Sullivan. Directed by Edward Sutherland from the best seller by Parker Morell, you'll never be more thrilled than you are by the magnificence of "Diamond Jim." You cannot afford to miss this all-important production.

"Countess of Monte Cristo"

In "The Countess of Monte Cristo," now at the Star Theatre, Paul Lukas appears in the featured male lead opposite lovely Fay Wray as a suave, continental gentleman "crook." It is a part especially suited to his debonair manner. It is Lukas' conten-

tion that an actor, in order to be good, does not have to submerge his own personality in favour of the character he is enacting. If that were so, he claims, every actor playing "Hamlet" for example, would play it in the same way. Fortunately, however, they do not, avers Lukas, and that is why we have outstanding and other kinds of performances. Since he was a child, back in Hungary, Lukas was intensely interested in the drama. He has played every conceivable character in the works of Shakespeare, Zola, George Bernard Shaw, Oscar Wilde, Molnar and Galsworthy. It was inevitable he should finally reach the screen and have a permanent niche there for himself.

"Death Flies East"

Hollywood has turned the tables on traditional murder-mystery film fiction. This revolutionary stop fiction was accomplished in the production of Columbia's "Death Flies East," showing at the Alhambra next Tuesday. In this exciting mystery thriller by Philip Wylie the detective is murdered—and the suspects clear the crime. Detectives—on the screen at least—usually lose their lives. But in "Death Flies East," the frustrated sleuth is poisoned as the transcontinental air liner hurtles through the night. The other nine passengers immediately set their wits to work without benefit of police investigation, to clear up the crime. One of them finally solves the mystery, but not before Dallas police and officials have planned the deed on innocent Florence Rice, the beautiful leading lady, playing an ex-convict who violated her parole by leaving California. Fred Kelsey, who has been seen in hundreds of motion pictures since he began his screen career twenty-five years ago, enacts the role of the murdered detective. Conrad Nagel, long-time screen favourite is seen as a mysterious figure headed for Washington with secret government documents. The balance of the cast includes Eugene Pash, Raymond Walburn, Irene Franklin, Robert Allen, Oscar Apfel and Geneva Mitchell. Phil Rosen directed.

"Big Broadcast of 1936"

Bill Robinson, famous negro tap dancer, won a new hat as a result of a bet with Jack Oakie during the filming of the Paramount musical comedy, "The Big Broadcast of 1936," now at the Queen's Theatre. The comedian bet Robinson he couldn't dance for one hour straight without repeating a routine. Robinson, who gets several thousand dollars for a single performance, danced for one hour with Oakie as his one man audience. After he won the bet, Oakie discovered that Robinson had danced an hour and fifteen minutes with Harriet Hector without repeating a step at a Dancing Masters' Convention at New York. Oakie is featured in "The Big Broadcast of 1936," along with Burns and Allen, Lydia Robert, Wendy Barrie, Henry Wadsworth and the Nicholas Brothers. Robinson does a specialty number in the film as do many other stage, screen and radio stars, including Bing Crosby, Amos 'n' Andy, Ethel Merman, Ray Noble and his band, Mary Boland and Charlie Ruggles and so many others. The story is a mirth-making concoction of the adventures of two radio entertainers as guest prisoners in a rich Countess' home on a Cuban island. An international radio broadcasting contest is one of the many hilarious high spots in the comedy.

"Redheads on Parade"

Jesse L. Lasky's extravaganza of gorgeous girls and tuneful hits, "Redheads on Parade," now at the King's Theatre, brings lovely Dixie Lee to the screen to resume her starring career with her first singing and dancing role in years. A few years ago, Miss Lee was gaining a foothold in motion pictures at Fox Film when she deserted the screen to become Mrs. Bing Crosby. Now she returns as the flaming redhead romance lead in this gay musical show dedicated to America's titian-tressed ladies. Miss Lee's voice, which showed great promise in her former screen efforts, has been trained through the period of retirement, so that her present rhythm and warmth makes her one of the screen's leading songstresses. Coupled with John Boles in the romantic leads of "Redheads on Parade," Miss Lee does the choruses of the three Jay Gorney-Don Hartman tunes especially written for the picture. Forty-eight red-headed beauties, one from each State, are prominently featured in the spectacular Larry Ceballos routines.

CORRESPONDENCE**New Territories Medical Needs**

(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir,—As one who has visited the St. John Ambulance Clinics in the New Territories—centres of healing scattered far and wide—where St. John nurses minister to sick poor, and where prior to their advent little medical help was available, it comes as a great shock to hear that there are rumours that a number of these bright spots may have to be closed owing to the business depression and the lack of adequate financial support. Such an eventuality would inflict untold hardship on expectant mothers and ailing children who have relied on a St. John doctor or nurse to bring comfort and relief to villagers resident in isolated and almost inaccessible places.

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It cannot be denied that these villagers are equally deserving of medical and nursing assistance as their more fortunate nationals in Hongkong and Kowloon where hospitals, dispensaries, and welfare centres are easy of access and at the door.

It appears that in spite of the many calls made on the members of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade—street vaccinations, street duties, accidents, attendance at Races, Football Matches, Fires, personal and material assistance to other charitable organisations (I understand that four occasions within a month, Flower Baskets and Collecting Tins have been loaned) admitting free of charge to the Haw Par Hospital at Cheung Chau tubercular children from Hongkong, that this organisation which is part and parcel of the venerable and the senior British Red Cross Organisation should find itself through inadequate public financial support unable to maintain the principles of the motto of the Order—For the sake of Humanity.

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Sleet And Snow

London, Dec. 16. Blizzards swept Scotland and Wales yesterday, and there were considerable falls of snow in the Midlands. Some snow fell in London which turned later to rain and sleet. Late last night there was a sharp frost and the icy surfaces of roads were the cause of many accidents. Electrical railway services were to some extent delayed owing to ice forming on the live rail.—*British Wireless.*

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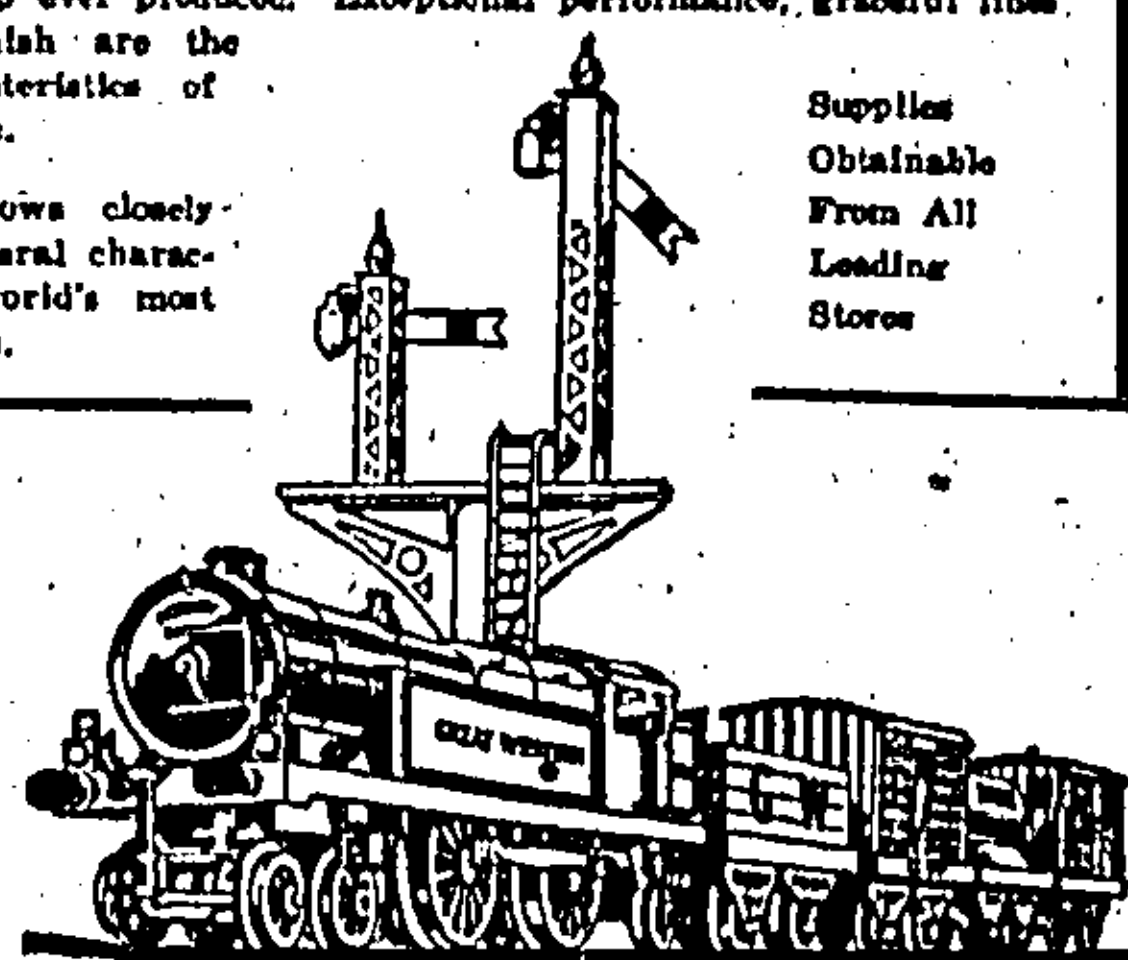
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SERIAL STORY

BARGAIN BRIDIE

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BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

BARRITT COLVIN, back in New York after four years, finds himself much attracted to 25-year-old ELLINOR STAFFORD. Barritt is 35, wealthy and has made a name for himself as an archeologist. Ellinor's mother, LIDA STAFFORD, is beautiful and, because she wants attention for herself, has always forced her daughter to wear unbecoming clothes and keep in the background. Lida scheme constantly to keep in the good graces of her husband's wealthy aunt, MISS ELLA BEXTON, in order to inherit a share of the Bexton fortune.

Barritt's half-sister, MARCIA RADNOR, tells him she is terrified for her husband will learn of an unfortunate episode in her past. Years before Barritt shunned Marcia when a youthful flirtation ended disastrously. Marcia had a son whom Barritt adopted. The boy is nine years old now and his tutor, HAROLD DEXTER, has threatened Marcia with blackmail. She declares that if her husband learns the truth he will never forgive her.

Barritt goes to visit fifteen-year-old GERALD, his ward. He has decided to discharge the tutor and find a new home for the boy. He can not decide to whom to leave his money. Barritt refuses to advise her. As he is leaving he meets Lida Stafford, Ellinor's mother. She suspects his interest in Ellinor and determines to put a stop to it. Lida goes on to meet VANCE CARTER who is in love with her.

CHAPTER VII

Vance went on smoothly. "Carra and Hal Woodbridge want you to go down with them to Miami for a week or so. They spoke of it last night. You will, won't you? Then I'll come later."

"I don't know—Vance." Lida Stafford said the words hesitantly, her eyes averted.

"Please, dearest!"

Lida protruded the moment, although she knew she would go if Carra and Hal went down in their plane, "La Paloma." Protruded the moment, because Vance, begging, was so really satisfying. This was the attention and attention she craved.

A waitress wearing a black dress, rather worn and in need of pressing, stood by the table, pencil tapping on her pad, waiting to take their order.

Vance had completely forgotten that they were to have tea. He exclaimed, "Oh—I see what you want, Lida?"

"Oh—I don't know, dear. Won't you order?"

"English muffins?" He frowned at the card.

"No, they're horrible here."

The waitress sniffed at this dratted comment. Lida continued, "And they're a bit heavy, too. It's rather late, you know."

"Well, how about thin, dry toast and guava jelly?"

"We haven't any guava jelly," the waitress put in wearily.

"Oh—!" Vance scanned the card again, his eyes moving swiftly up and down. His emotional starvation was taking from him any ability to deal with foods. And this tea room, which Lida had selected because none of their set came there, was a sadly mismanaged place with inefficient service, no selection of food and mediocre cooking. All this was distasteful to Vance. And yet—Lida was beside him, his arm over her slightly touching hers. Vance set teeth on his lower lip.

A little later the order was given and the on-twisted—high heels, made her way toward the kitchen. Lida had deliberately asked for every variety of tea that she knew she would not find in the place, enjoying the waitress' discomfort. Lida always found satisfaction in disconcerting others, no matter how unimportant the other might be. "Sorry it's such a lousy mess," Vance said as the waitress returned and put the food down before them. "Again the girl sniffed, plainly indicating her disapproval of, 'about this Miami trip—I don't want to nag but you will, won't you?'"

"I don't know, Vance!"

"Please, dearest!"

"But you see, Vance—"

"Darling, I'd have some chance to see you there. I can't stand much more of this sort of thing. I mean it!"

Bessie Thrope who had come puffing into the tea room with a string bag full of purchases, including tooth paste, hard water soap, a bag of cucumber sandwiches for Jim and a 10-cent vase for the dining room, settled herself at a table and looked around.

"She was glad she had come in, although she knew she shouldn't spend even the few pennies her refreshment cost. She was going to be short again at the end of the month. And she simply couldn't ask Aunt Ella to help her out again. Aunt Ella had a fixed idea that Bessie didn't manage well."

She scanned the menu, then looked across the room to see her cousin, Lida Stafford, with "that Carter man."

Bessie, usually so gentle, hated Lida for her slender elegance and her scorn of the things Bessie felt every woman should do to help her husband get along. Yes, it was Lida and the way she was acting was shameful. No wonder Bentwell drank! Bessie decided to move so that Lida and her escort would not see her. Aunt Ella ought to know about this but to gain help by tale-bearing was so unbecomingly low! Neither Bessie nor her husband, Jim, despite their real need, wanted their sons to have money gained in that way.

She stopped wearily to pick up the string bag and moved. No, Lida had not seen her.

Bessie knew Lida had told Aunt Ella about Bessie's throwing away the mushrooms that had been half gone when delivered. Lida had followed Bessie to her kitchen, raising her beautifully arched brows after a look at Maggie. Maggie never did look quite neat. And the next time



"You mustn't worry, Marcia," Barritt insisted. "I'll find him somewhere."

at Aunt Ella's Bessie heard, "Mushrooms for a large family, Bessie, are a very expensive form of food. The idea of throwing them out, quite frankly, amazes me!"

She would take hot chocolate with whipped cream and try not to brood upon things, Bessie decided. It didn't do any good but just the same things weren't always fair.

Meantime, in another part of the city, Barritt Colvin had returned home from Miss Ella Sexton's to telephone to Marcia.

"I have only a few moments to talk," Marcia said with nervous haste. "I don't know when Dick will come in. I didn't go to meet him. I've felt miserable all day Barry—"

"That Dexter person called again?"

"For what purpose?" Barritt asked barked the question.

"I don't know. I wasn't here. He left his card and wrote on it—wait, I have it here somewhere. Here it is."

"Yes, dear."

"He wrote, 'I have a matter of importance to discuss with you. I will come back and wish to see you. I thought, Barry, that if you knew where he was you could talk to him. Do you know where he is?'"

"I don't," Barritt admitted, "but you mustn't worry. I'll fish him somewhere and, Marcia, don't have him admitted again. Tell him to come to see me."

"Oh, thank you, darling!"

"Never mind about that. I hope you'll feel better soon."

"I will—I do already! All this has worried me so."

"But you're not to worry!" he told her grimly.

He left the telephone to stride down the floor, smoking determinedly. When he had a chance to deal with

young Dexter he would end this persecution of Marcia. It was outrageous! Dick Radnor, Barritt thought, was the sort who could care deeply enough to forgive a lot. He had seen Dick to chat with him for a short half hour in Dick's office. On the other hand, he knew Dick's family and their reputation for almost brutal honesty. Whatever happened, Marcia must not be subjected to any more of these disagreeable situations. Barritt decided, until she was in completely good health again.

He ran his hands through his sandy hair. Life could be so damnably difficult!

And what had Lida Stafford meant by saying that her daughter, Ellinor, liked the wrong sort of young men? He would have been willing to wager his last cent on that girl. Barritt wished Ellinor's mother hadn't said that. The whole day had been a succession of irritations. First the visit to Gerald and the problem of getting the youngster a new and better sort of home. Then Miss Ella and her miserable suggestion that Barritt should say on her relatives. Well, he'd quelled that, he felt sure. And now Dexter!

"You're dining in, sir?" Higgins asked from the doorway after his usual hesitant cough.

Of course he was dining in, Barritt realized, but the thought for some reason was irksome. He didn't want to talk with men this evening and he couldn't go to the office. He had a quick flash of Ellinor Stafford's face and knew that if he could he would have hurried eagerly to fetch her and settle her across a table from him.

What could her mother have meant by saying Ellinor was fond of the wrong sort of young men? The thought bothered him more and more.

"Yes, Higgins," Barritt answered wearily, "I'm dining in—"

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5% Loan 1902 £98% £98%
5% Loan 1912 £72% £72%
5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.) £90% £90%
1925-47 £96% £96%
5% Shai-Nanking Rly. £69% £69%
5% Tient-Pukow Rly. £32 £32
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl.) £31 £31
5% Hukang Rly. £28 £28
1911 £43 £43
5% Lung Tsin U. Hail Rly. 1913 £19 £19

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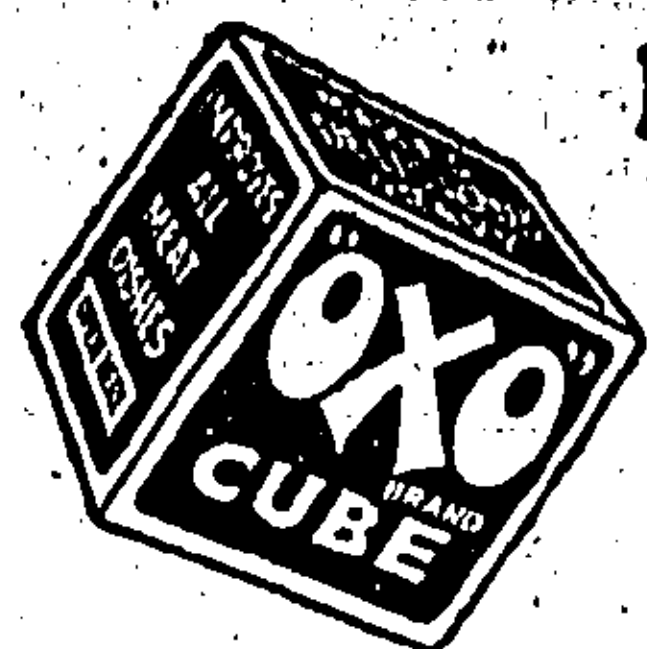
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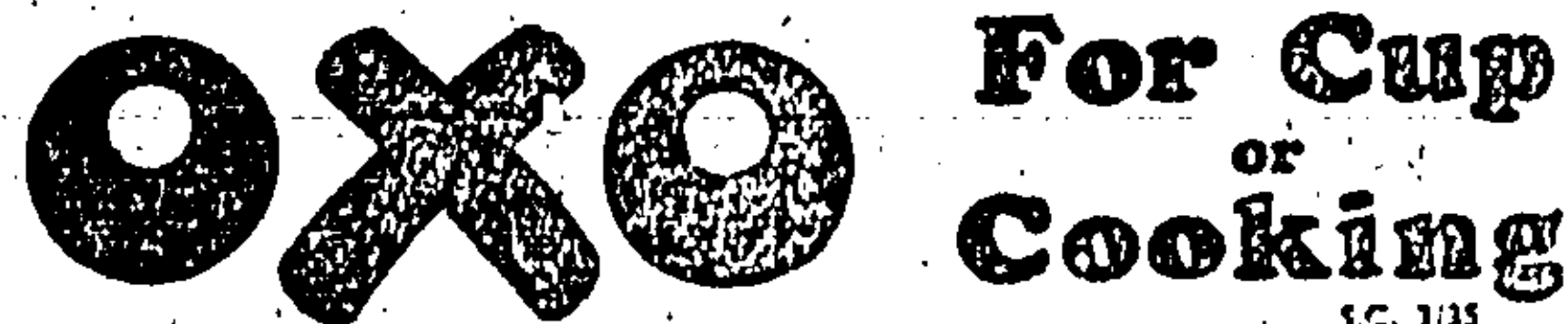
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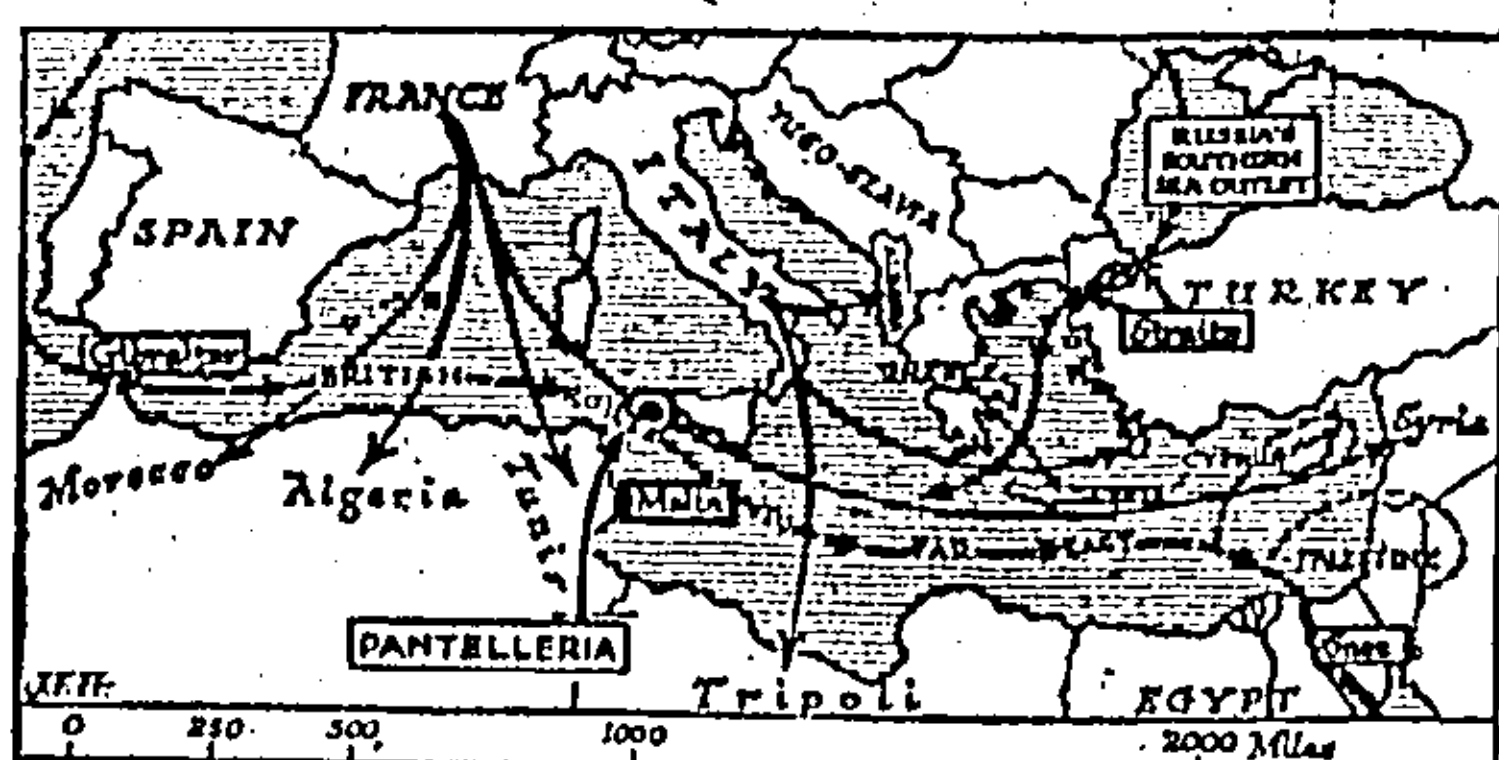
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SHIP'S OFFICER AND CREW GET JUDGMENT FOR WAGES

The s.s. Chung Hing, formerly known as the Venezia, now lying idle at Tuen Wan Bay, was named as defendant in an action brought by the crew, consisting of 48 men, claiming \$3,680 as wages, before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Lindell, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, appeared for the plaintiffs. The defendant steamer was not represented, legally or otherwise.

Mr. Macnamara said the plaintiff, Luk Chee-chung, was employed as chief officer, and in fact, the only officer, on board the s.s. Chung Hing, which was formerly known as the Venezia. The steamer, owned by the Chung Hing Steamship Co., was at present lying idle at Tuen Wan Bay, with the chief officer and six members of the crew on board.

In the matter of remuneration, it had been customary to pay to the chief officer a sum of money every month, for his own wages and those of the crew. The wages started at \$410, but were gradually reduced until they finally reached \$385. The money, however, had not been paid in full since February, 1934. The plaintiffs were still employed on board the steamer and had never received notice of termination of their employment.

The chief officer then gave evidence, substantiating his counsel's remarks, after which Mr. Macnamara asked that an order for maintenance be made at the same rate as the wages, and that plaintiffs should be paid until they were no longer employed on the steamer.

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiffs with costs, and granted an order for maintenance at the rate of \$3,680 per month so long as the plaintiffs were employed on the vessel.

Mr. Macnamara further applied for an order for appraisement, saying that his clients were entitled to have the ship sold if the claim were not paid.

This was also granted.

POSTED LETTERS STOLEN

UNEMPLOYED MAN SENTENCED

Charged with taking four letters which were in the course of transmission, Hong Tak, 33, unemployed, pleaded guilty before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court this morning and was fined \$75, with the alternative of two months' hard labour.

Detective Inspector A. V. Baker stated that defendant was stopped by a district watchman in Lower Lascar Road on Sunday afternoon and searched. Four letters bearing four different names and addresses were found, also four duplicate envelopes, which the defendant admitted having made out, bearing the words, "Please pay bearer 20 c. The defendant had been in Hongkong for three months and was unemployed. There was no criminal record against him.

Inspector Baker added he had been asked to draw his Worship's attention to the fact that there had been a number of recent thefts of cheques from letters in post boxes.

COST OF PEER'S TRIAL

STATE TO PAY ABOUT £700

London, Dec. 16. Replying to House of Commons questions arising out of the trial of the House of Lords of Lord de Clifford, on a charge of manslaughter, of which he was acquitted, the Attorney General, Sir Thomas Inskip, stated that the estimated charge to public funds was about £700.

He preferred to postpone a statement as to net expenditure until the matter could be further considered.

GOING TO NANKING

Shanghai, Dec. 17. Mr. Akira Ariyoshi, the Japanese Ambassador, left for Nanking on the night express presumably to interview high Chinese officials, and just before he left Mr. Wei Tuo-ming, former Minister of Justice returned from Europe, and will soon leave for Nanking to report on Mr. Hu Han-min's condition of mind and health.

£24,000 ESTATE

London, Dec. 16. The late Mr. Arthur Henderson, famous peace worker and President of the Disarmament Conference, left an estate valued at £24,000.

ENORMOUS NUGGET

Moscow, Dec. 16. A gold nugget weighing 464 ounces has been found in the Ural goldfields.

The following telegram has been received by His Excellency the Governor from the Secretary of State for the Colonies: "Your telegram 4th December No. 316. I have it in command from His Majesty the King to express to you and the people of Hongkong his grateful appreciation of their message of sympathy to Their Majesties in their bereavement."

LAVAL ANGRY AT TRICKERY RUMOUR

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Baldwin, displaying his characteristic loyalty, is standing behind him in spite of his mistake.

DELICATE POSITION

Undoubtedly, Sir Samuel's parliamentary position is delicate at the present moment, but the prevailing opinion is that he will weather Thursday's storm.

In the meantime, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Minister for League of Nations Affairs, was severely heckled at question-time by the Opposition in the Commons. Questions were fired at him from all sides concerning the peace proposals. Mr. Hugh Dalton was especially prominent. But Mr. Eden replied with the greatest calmness, requesting his questioners to await a full statement from the Government on Thursday.

MR. DALTON REBUKED

Mr. Dalton incurred a rebuke from the Speaker by asking whether the Government still accepted the responsibility for the "shameful proposals." Mr. Speaker objected to the word "shameful" and requested a similar adjectival vigour on the part of other Labour questioners.

Mr. Ernest Thurtle asked whether the Government still adhered to the declaration made by Mr. Eden in Parliament on October 23, that one of the indispensable conditions of any settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute was that the League must be consistent with the League Covenant.

Mr. Eden replying affirmatively, Mr. Thurtle remarked: Was Mr. Eden aware that the country would read this answer with satisfaction?

Mr. Eden, not to be outdone, replied that he hoped the country had read all his answers with satisfaction.

There was a roar of laughter.

FIRST LORD'S ADVICE

London, Dec. 16. It is learned in reliable quarters that Viscount Maaseil, First Lord of the Admiralty, has advised Mr. Stanley Baldwin to withdraw a large portion of the British Fleet from the Mediterranean before Christmas.

The Cabinet is scheduled to hold an emergency meeting to-night.

HOARE ARRIVES

London, Dec. 16. Sir Samuel Hoare arrived in London to-day, after flying from the Continent, to attend the Cabinet meeting to-morrow.

THWARTING GAMBLERS

JAPAN ON WATCH FOR SILVER

Osaka, Dec. 17. The Mainichi says Government officials are watching Nagasaki closely in order to prevent illegal exports of silver from China.

However, the journal explains that the action does not mean that Japanese are favouring the new Chinese monetary policy.

A prediction is made by the journal that the Ministry of Finance and the Foreign Office will co-operate soon, involving exchange control against such importations, thereby thwarting Shanghai speculators.

U.S. STILL BUYS QUESTION

SATURDAY TRADING SILVER

Washington, Dec. 16. Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, today stated that the Treasury was still buying silver everywhere. He explained that the Treasury's absence from Saturday's silver market was due to the difference in time and the fact that most of the markets were observing half-days.

Mr. Morgenthau declined to state whether Saturday buying would be discontinued in the future.

PEIPING CROWDS CRY FOR WAR

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o'clock and the city was very quiet.

STUDENTS MISSING

Peiping, Dec. 17. "No demonstrations are yet taking place," says a communiqué from the Government.

However, considerable anxiety has been expressed over the fate of a number of students, reported missing, one of whom is a girl of nineteen. Whether they were arrested or have been injured is unknown.

No information is at present forthcoming from the police who have been generally and roundly condemned for their unprovoked and brutal attacks on orderly demonstrations.

FAIR WEATHER

The anticyclone has weakened considerably and moved rapidly into the Pacific to the north-east of the Bonins. Another anticyclone has developed over China, and pressure is again highest to the north of the Yangtze Valley. A V-shaped depression covers the Loochoos. Local forecast:—North and N.E. Winds, Fresh; Fair.

DOG "LIKE A BUFFALO"

HUMOROUS INTERLUDE IN COURT

A fine of \$17 was imposed upon Y. Madson, of No. 6 United Terrace, third floor, Kowloon, when she appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to answer a summons for allowing an Alsatian dog abroad in Homuntin Street without a muzzle on December 2.

Defendant stated that she could only speak a little English, but could speak Danish and Siamese. Her husband, Captain Madson, appeared in Court and stated that on the day in question he was out, but he has been told that the dog had been taken out by his son. He understood that the dog was muzzled, but was not on a lead.

Sergeant Doyle stated that an amah employed by Mrs. Spradbury, of No. 1 United Terrace, was bitten by the dog. The complainant had not arrived at Court, but she had been warned to appear.

Captain Madson stated that he thought the amah was bitten by her own dog.

On her arrival in Court, Lau Ching, amah, stated that about 5 p.m. on December 2 she took her master's dog out for a walk. The dog, witness said, was "like a lion."

His Worship: What colour is it?

Witness: White, except for the ears, which are black.

His Worship: What is its name?

Witness: "What For?" (laughter).

"LIKE A BUFFALO"

Continuing, witness stated that defendant's dog, which "looked like a buffalo," ran up to the small dog. Witness picked up her dog and the big dog jumped at her and bit her on the hand. The dog was muzzled, but it managed to bite witness with its side teeth.

"That is what we are anxious about in this particular matter," said the Magistrate to defendant and advised him to use a wire muzzle, as they were the only type that were effective. Leather muzzles were not effective.

"It is my duty," continued his Worship, "to make it clear to people that they keep dogs at their own risk," and imposed a fine of \$17. He informed defendant that he would deduct the inoculation fee of \$8 from the fine.

"A man's life is worth all the dogs in China. We cannot allow the value of a dog to weigh against a human life," his Worship added.

CHINA'S TRADE

UNFAVOURABLE BALANCE FOR TEN MONTHS

Shanghai, Dec. 16. With imports valued at \$781,550, 545 against exports of \$444,099,997, China's foreign trade for the last ten months, from January to October, ended with the unfavourable balance of \$336,550,545.

While the figures were reduced, an increase of \$3,134,145 was registered on the export side as compared with those of the corresponding period of last year.

It is estimated that the total unfavourable trade balance for this year will not exceed \$400,000,000.

For the month of October alone, it is revealed that the imports and exports were \$41,175,738 and \$48,399,705 respectively, showing an unfavourable balance of \$7,223,967.

HAUPTMANN DEATH WARRANT

Trenton (N.J.), Dec. 16. State Attorney General Wiltz has signed the death warrant in respect of Hauptmann for the week commencing January 13 next.

G.O.P. CONVENTION

Washington, Dec. 16. The Republican National Committee has selected Cleveland as the site for the 1936 Convention.

Sentence of 12 months' hard labour was passed upon Pat, 20, unemployed, when he appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and admitted a breach of a Deportation Order by which he had been banished for a period of ten years on July 1934.

Defendant stated that he could not find his relatives in the country so he returned to Hongkong, and admitted that he had against him two previous convictions for the same offence.

THE NEW TERRITORIES MEDICAL BENEFIT

Branch of the St. John Ambulance has been as busy as ever during November. A total of 15,866 cases have been treated for the month, of which 5,683 are new ones. There were 143 maternity cases; and altogether 644 home visits were made. The doctors and nurses covered a wide territory, including villages across the border.

Mr. T. B. Wilson, Hongkong manager for the Dollar Steamship Company and the American Mail Line, is going on home leave by the President Hoover on December 28. He will be away for five months. Mr. Wilson was to have taken his holiday next year, but circumstances have arisen to bring it forward. His home city is Seattle, Wash.

The following are additional subscribers to the Cathedral "John's Fund": John C. Mann, John Sadler, Alexander John Strahan, John Parry-Wingfield, St. John's Hall, J.G.H.B. (In Memoriam), "John of Glasgow" and "Little John," J. W. Parsons, Ex-Chief-Boy John, John Astell, Percy John (In Memoriam), John Baskett.

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KILLED BY ROCK

BELIEVED TO HAVE COME FROM HILLSIDE BLASTING

The hearing of an inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of a woman, Cheng Pat-har, who was killed on September 3 last, apparently by a piece of rock, from blasting operations on the hillside in King's Road, flying into No. 100 Electric Road, was concluded before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The jury, comprising Messrs. A. G. Safford (Foreman), U. M. Omar and Pun Tat-ming, returned a verdict of "accidental death." They were also of the opinion that the cause of the woman's skull was the fracture of the stone found in the flat and they considered the stone came from blasting in the vicinity, but this was due to an accident.

Mr. A. H. McBride, engineer of the Public Works Department, deposed that blasting had been going on in King's Road since February last. On September 3 a big granite boulder was apparently being split. The precautions taken during blasting were adequate. Witness stated that he considered it would be extraordinary for a piece of rock, such as that exhibited in Court, to have flown a distance of nearly 170 yards even without blanketing the blast. The boulder that was blasted was of lighter colour and coarser grain than the piece exhibited in Court.

Witness explained that with boulders the surface may be decomposed but the heart did not very much.

Witness added that up to September 3 there had been 20,000 blasts and only a few cases of minor damage, such as broken windows. He also explained that with deep blasts there were fewer fragments, and with dynamite blasts the rocks were cut very clean.

Acting Sub-Inspector C. S. Madgwick and Lance-Sergeant Cheung Wong gave formal evidence, after which Cheung Kwai, aged 45, foreman employed by the Sang Lee contractors, testified that on the day in question he put one stick of dynamite in each hole. There were 25 holes

and each was two feet deep. The blasts were covered with four gunny bags and two steel wire frames. Witness had had twenty years experience in this type of work and had been connected with Sang Lee for the past seven years, and had never before had an accident.

Inspector Stewart Logan was present for the police.

The Iolanda is a motor yacht painted white and is considered one of the finest vessels of her class afloat. She is commanded by Captain C. W. Fisher, an Englishman, and manned by an all-British crew numbering 56. Among her equipment are oil-driven engines giving a cruising speed of 12 knots, three fast motor boats to serve her passengers while in port, a high powered wireless set, and finely appointed accommodation.

The yacht was built, it is said, by an American millionaire for Princess Iolanda of Italy, though the Princess never sailed in it.

The first private yacht which has visited the Colony for a considerable time arrived in Hongkong yesterday afternoon from Singapore.

It is owned by Mrs. Moses E. Taylor, of New York, who, accompanied by seven friends, is touring the world in her 728-ton vessel, the Iolanda.

Mrs. Taylor is the owner of a large estate in Rhode Island and her vessel flies the burgee of the New York Yacht Club. The present tour is not the first which the ship has made to the Far East, the first being in 1930. Mrs. Taylor is very fond of travel. On this occasion the cruise began at Southampton on October 21, calls being made at all the interesting ports between there and Hongkong.

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